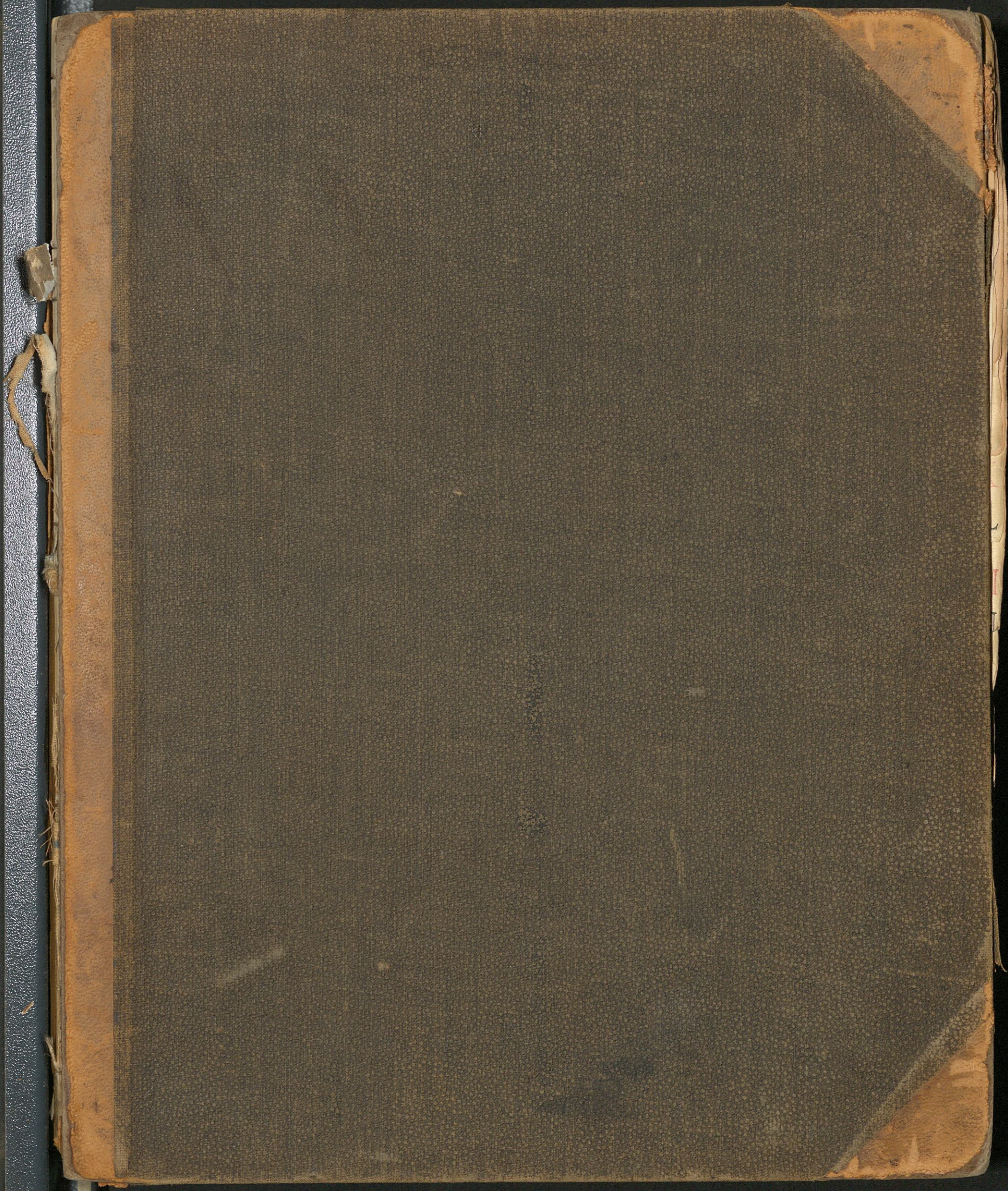




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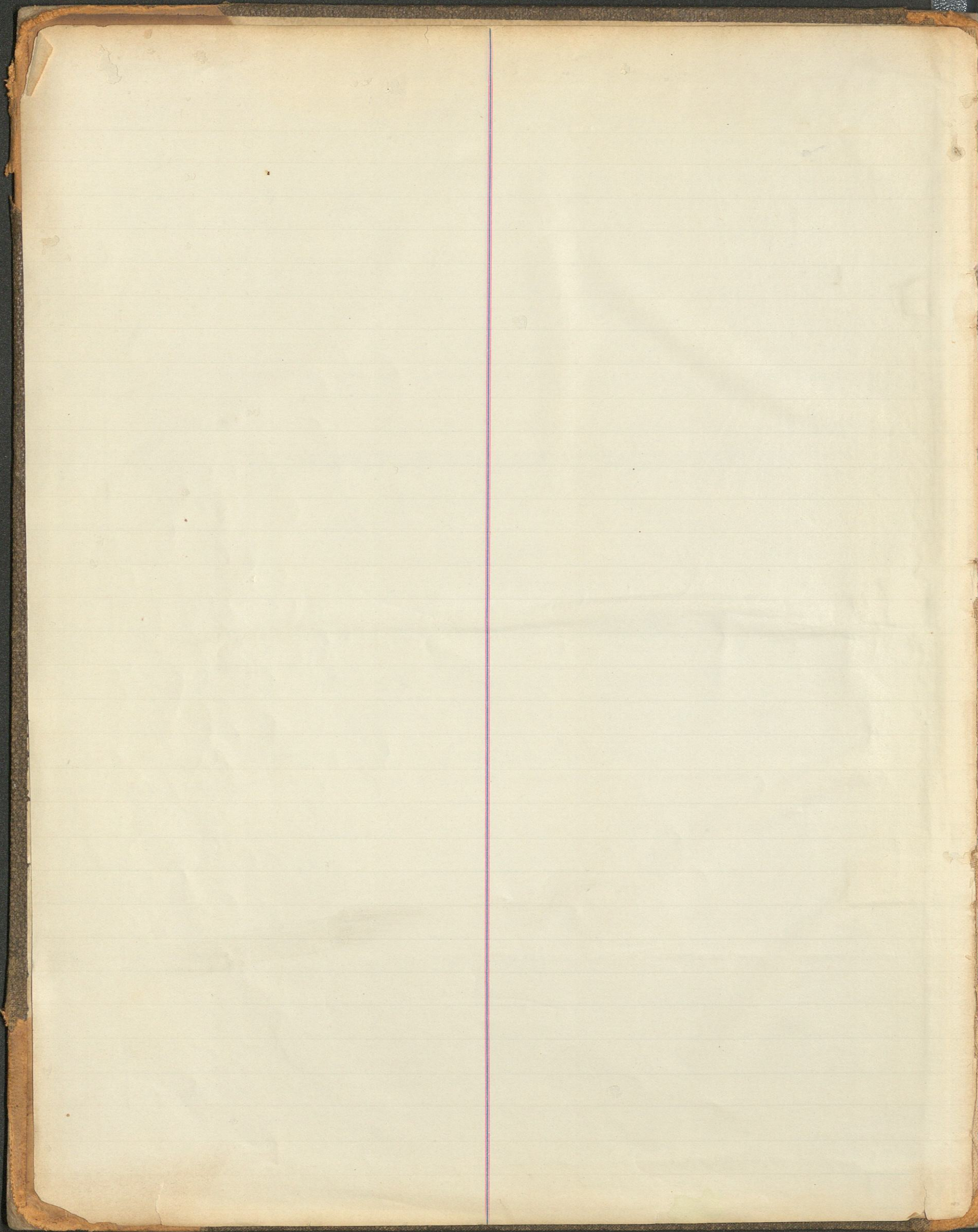
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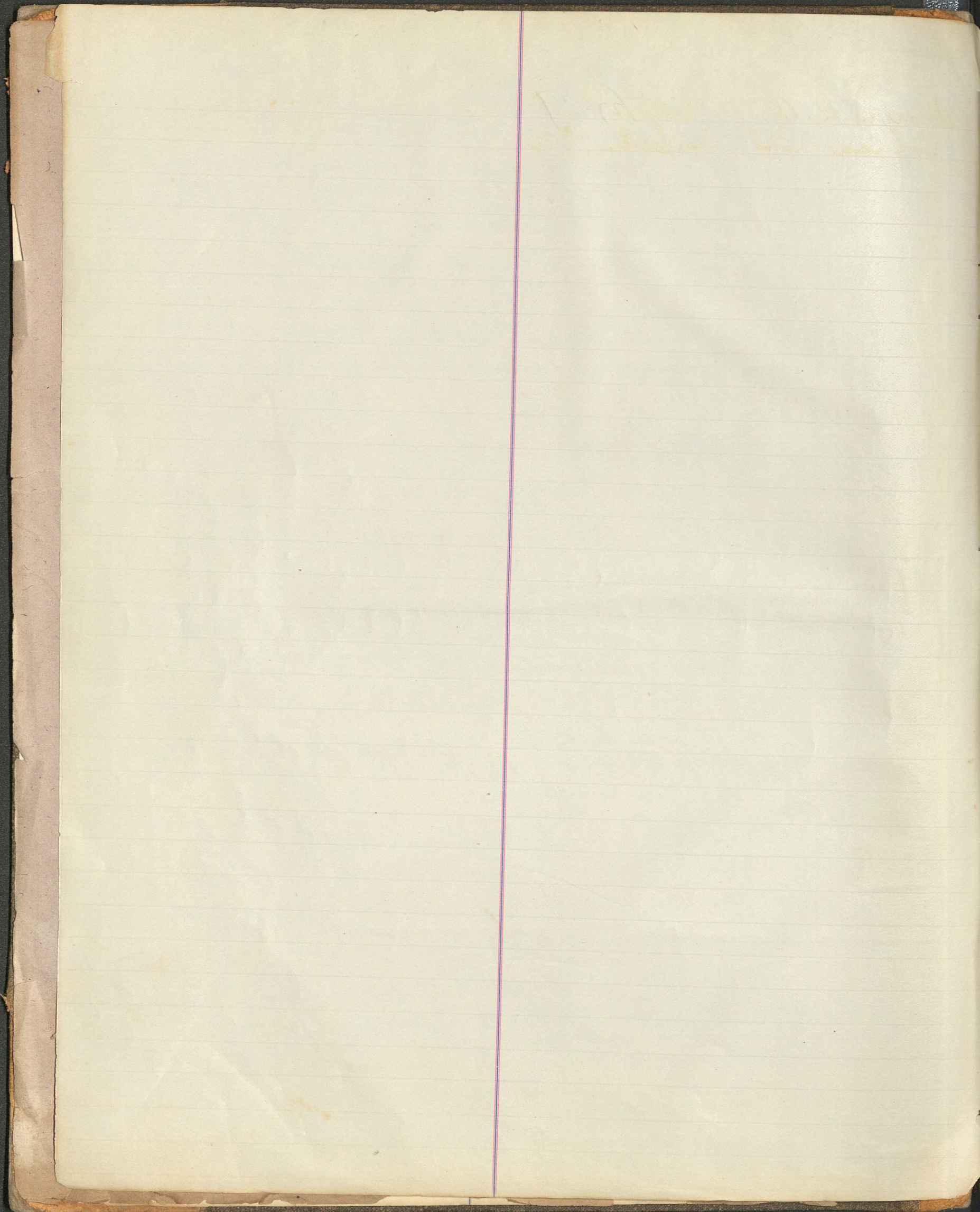
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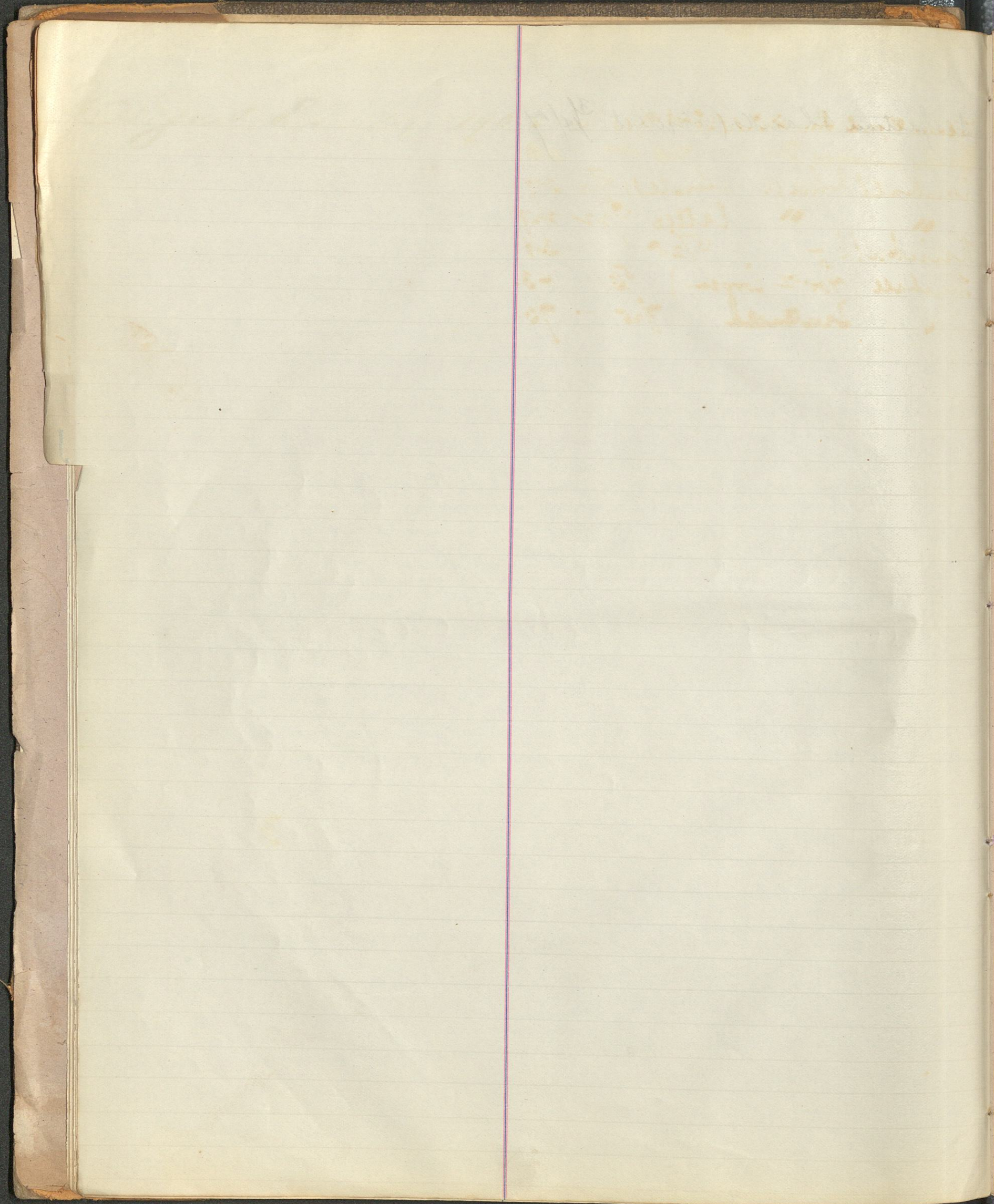
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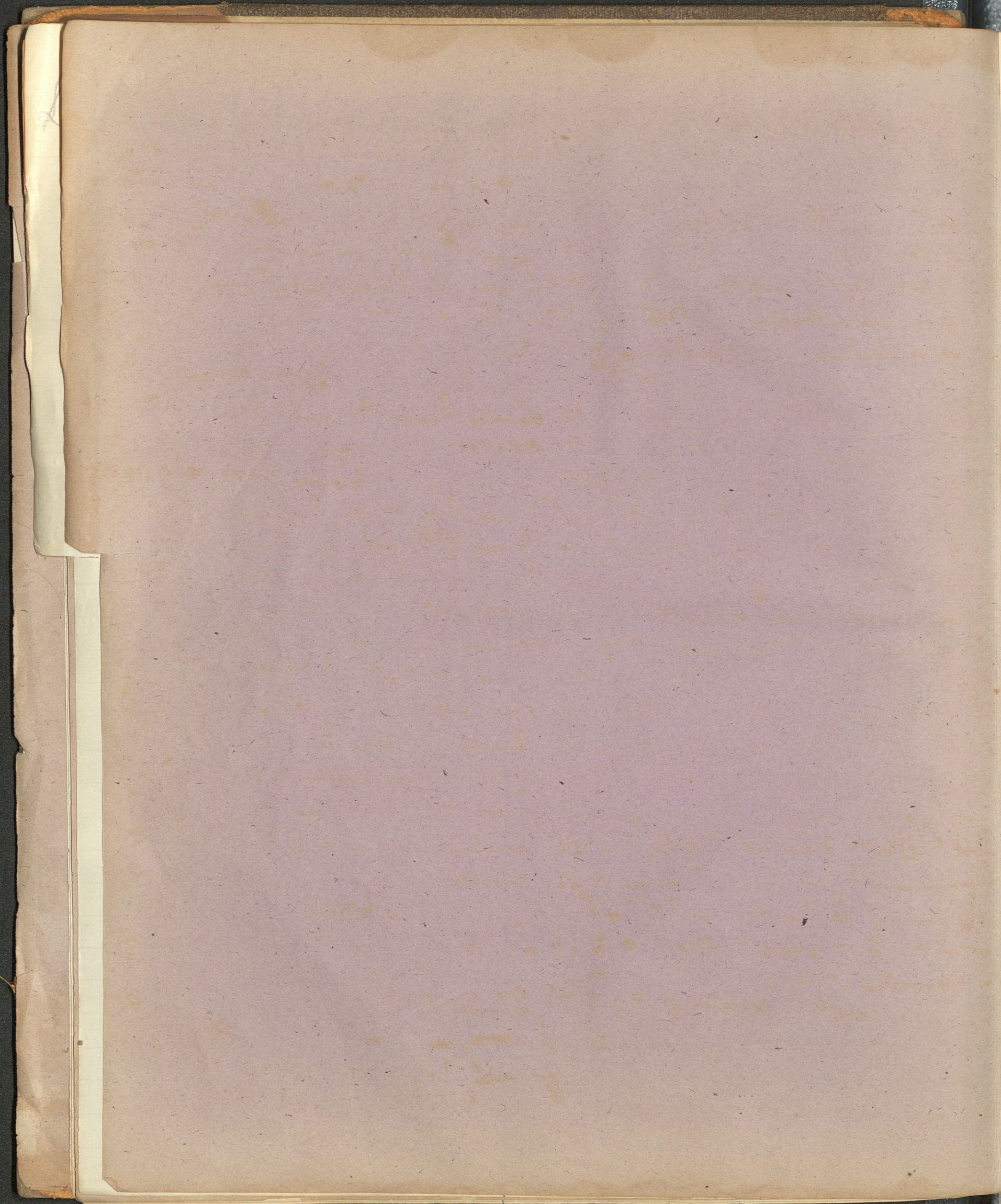
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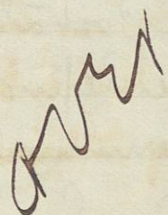
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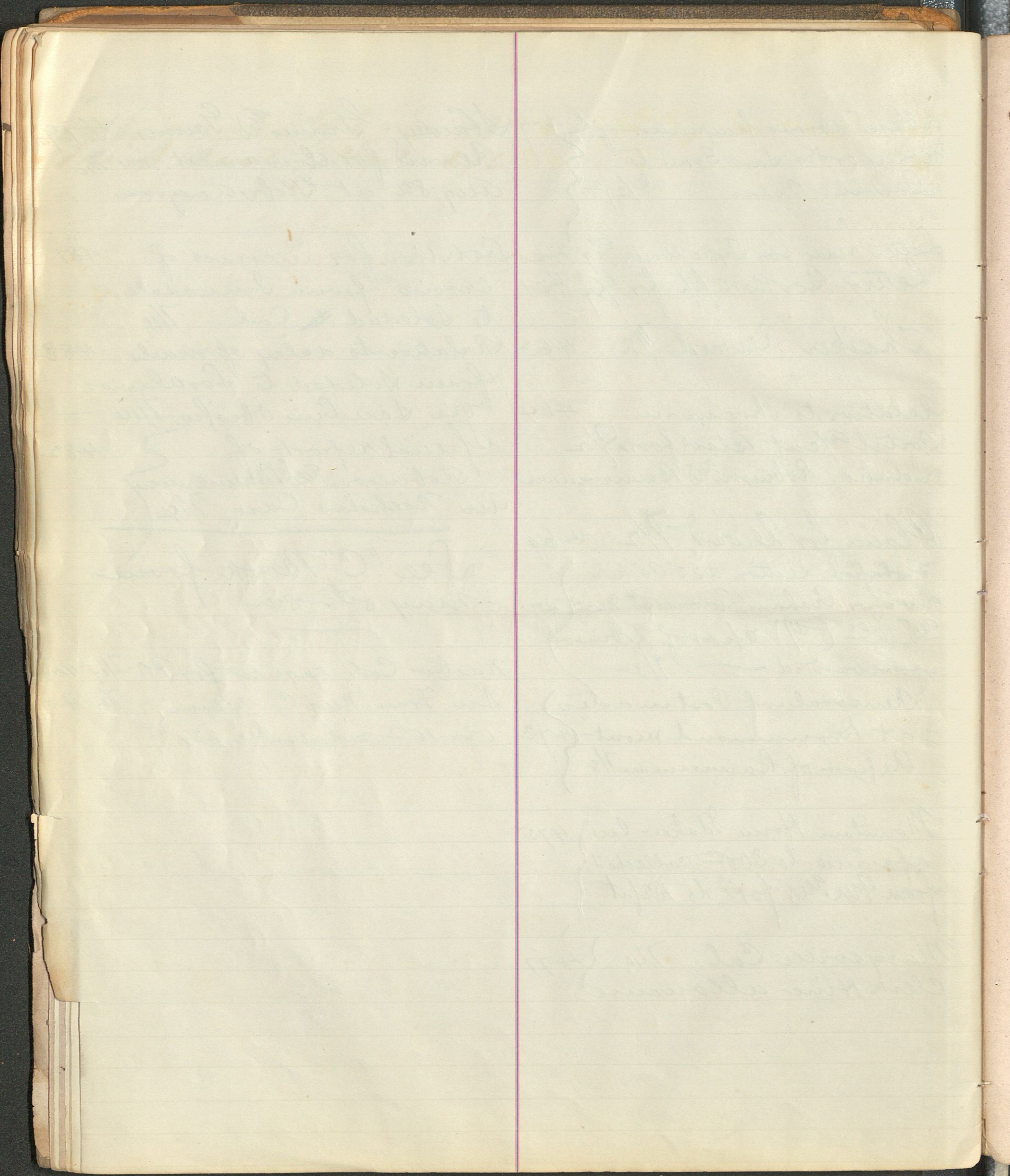
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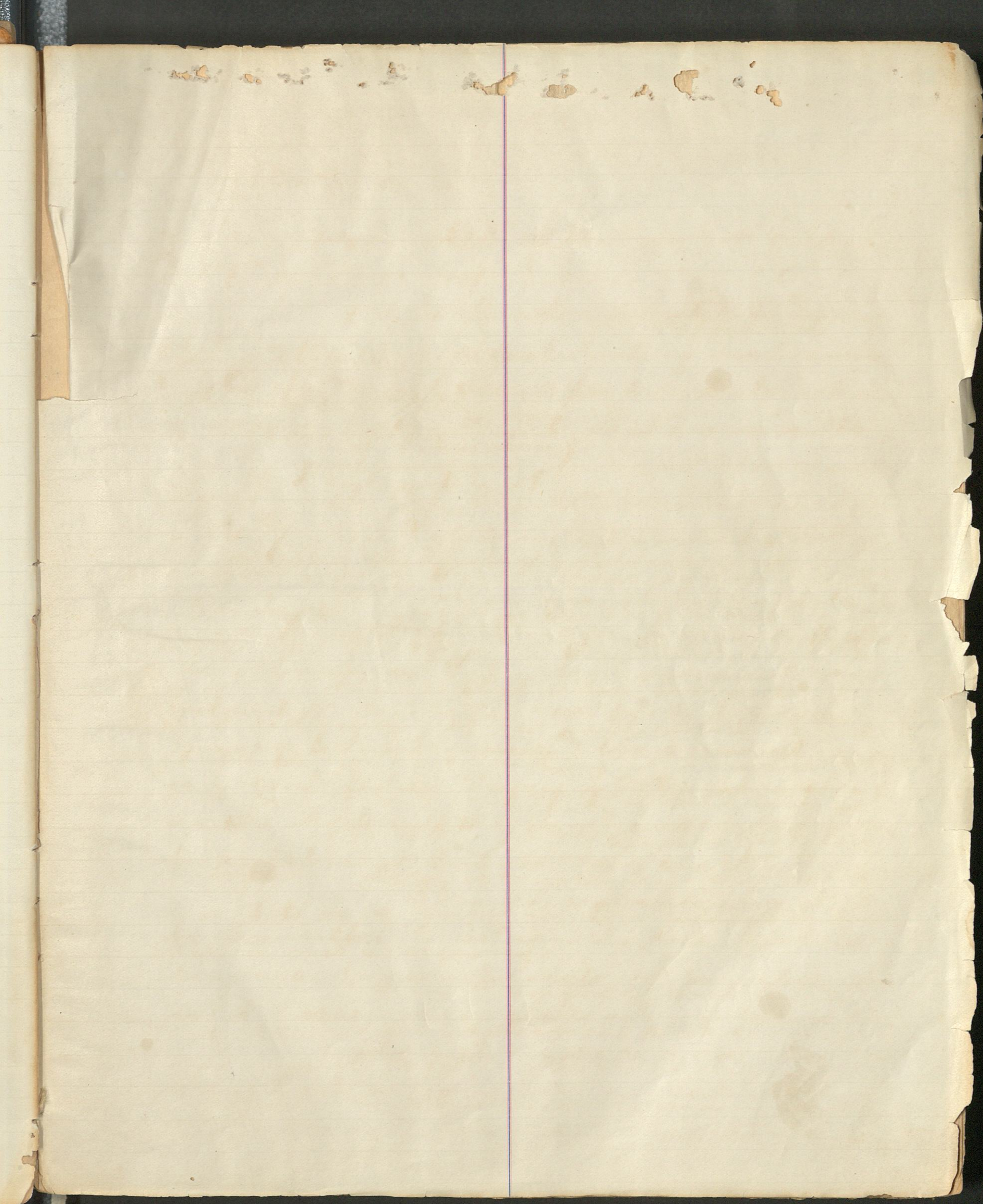


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David B. Parker Esq
Chief Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir

In reply to yours of
February 23rd I will state that the
San Francisco Post Office pays quarterly
for the Stationery which is used by
the Inspectors in this District.

Do you wish me to pay for
the Stationery we use monthly and charge
it in my monthly account or
I let the San Francisco P.O. pay
for it as heretofore? Your reply
is solicited

I am Sir

Yours respectfully
Edward J. Chamberlain
Inspector

March 2

Chief Clerk
U.S. District Court
Washington D.C.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd inst. in relation to the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the District of Columbia. I am sorry to hear that the proposed amendment is not successful. I am, however, glad to hear that the proposed amendment is not successful. I am, however, glad to hear that the proposed amendment is not successful.

Very respectfully,
J. M. Smith

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March 3rd 3.

Mr. David B. Parker
 Chief Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

Herewith enclosed please find Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) which should be paid to Messrs. Lying Sing and Co. #706 Sacramento Str. San Francisco, Cal. - Said amount was lost out of Reg. letter #44 from Leland, Oregon Jan'y 23-83, to San Francisco, and the amount was recovered from George J. McComb, a clerk in the Reg. Div. of the San Francisco post office, for violation of Section #809 of the P. L. & Co.

I would respectfully ask to be permitted to detain the case awhile longer, as I wish to locate, if possible, the exact place where the theft was committed.

The facts in the case are that Mr. Wang Lock, a Chinaman, mailed \$26000 at Leland, Oregon 1/23-83 to the firm as above. The

W. Woods

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Washington D.C.
Chief Clerk
Mr. David D. Barker

Tillamook Oregon 1863 to the firm as above. The
Stump Book, or Chitman's, numbered \$2000 at
the facts in the case are what Mr.
secret place where the theft was committed
larger, as I wish to locate, if possible, the
be permitted to obtain the case while
I would respectfully ask to
for violation of Section #807 of the O.T. Co.
in the Reg. Div. of the San Francisco Post Office,
received from George J. M. Brown, a clerk
Jan'y 23-63, to San Francisco, and the amount was
last out of Reg. letter # 44 from Oakland, Cal.
San Francisco Cal. - said amount was
\$1000.00 being fine & cost of Government the
amount which should be paid to
The amount enclosed please find twenty

Parker

(2) Case - 30000.

enclosure consisted of \$160⁰⁰ in \$20⁰⁰ gold pieces
and \$100⁰⁰ in currency.

The postmaster, Mr. H. A. Harkness, at Leland being absent, his wife, who is also the Asst. P.M. put this letter up, but instead of addressing the R.P.C. to San Francisco, Cal. she, by error enclosed it in R.P.C. #39 for Sacramento, Cal. - The R.P.C. reached said place and was in good condition, but the letter envelope is said to have been in bad condition. (Possibly the weight of the \$160⁰⁰ in gold cut the same) The clerk in the Sacramento, Cal. postoffice claims that upon seeing that said letter was not for said office, he put it, in the same condition, in another R.P.C. #330. Jan'y 27-83, and sent it to San Francisco.

Mr. McComb, in the San Francisco postoffice, instead of complying with Sec. 809. left it to be delivered in its mutilated condition, just as received.

I have carefully investigated this case and I am satisfied that the money was mailed by Wang Lock as claimed and whilst Mrs. Harkness made a mistake

Robert

(2) Case = 50000

enclosed herewith of \$1000 in \$200 gold pieces
 and \$100 in currency.
 The postmaster, Mr. A. H. Barker,
 at St. Louis being absent, his wife, who is also
 the Chief Clerk, left this letter up, but instead
 of addressing the A.P.C. to San Francisco, Cal.
 she by mail enclosed it in A.P.C. #30 for
 Sacramento, Cal. The A.P.C. reached said
 place and was in good condition, but the letter
 envelope is said to have been in bad condition
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 said letter was not for said office, he put
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 postoffice instead of complying with A.P.C.
 left it to be delivered in its mutilated con-
 dition, just as received.
 I have carefully investigated
 this case and am satisfied that the money
 was received by St. Louis and claimed
 and mailed Mr. Barker was a mistake.

Parker

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and misent the letter, still I do not believe her to be dishonest, but I do believe that the amount left the mailing office ^{and} was either stolen in Sacramento or San Francisco but for the lack of sufficient evidence I have to bide my time, hoping that sooner or later this, as well as other mysterious losses, will explain themselves by the capture of the thief.

Very respectfully

Inspector

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Darker

and moment the letter, still I do not believe
her to be dishonest, but I do believe that
the account left the involving office of
either station in Government or Government
but for the lack of sufficient evidence there
to this very time, hoping that sooner or later
this, as well as other mysterious cases, will
be explained themselves by the capture of the
thief.

Very respectfully
Chapman

march 5th

David B. Parker Esq
Chief Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Be pleased to send to me (100) One
hundred Inspectors pay accounts for the
use of Inspectors in this Division & oblige.

Very respectfully

Inspector

March 2nd

David A. Barker Esq
Chief Inspector
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:
We pleased to send to you 1000 Over
hundred inspectors pay account for the
use of inspectors in the Division of
Very respectfully
Inspector

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march 10th 3

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I am investigating the alleged loss of a Foreign Reg. letter said to have been mailed on July 22-80 at Vienna, Austria, addressed to Johann Petriz, Nevada. Said letter was forwarded from New York on Aug. 7th-80 as #8003. R.T.E #31664 to Gold Hill Nevada, where it was received in due course of mail. The postmaster now claims that he forwarded said letter with fifteen others to the Dead Letter Office on Dec. 17-82 under cover of R.T.E #138 and that he holds a receipt from the Dept for same dated Dec. 27-82.

Please ascertain if this letter was received & whether contents were in fact.

Very respectfully,

Inspector

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March 10th

Chief of Police
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,
I am investigating the alleged loss of
Foreign Dep. letter said to have been mailed
and July 25-26 at 4 min. Quarters, addressed
to John O. Galt, Ottawa - said letter
was forwarded from the post office
July 25-26 at 8:00. D.O. # 3164 to Gold Hill
Ottawa, where it was received in the
course of mail - the postmaster was
told that the forwarded said letter
with fifteen others to the Great Britain Office
on July 25-26 under cover of D.O. # 138
that he had a receipt from the Dept
for same dated Dec. 25-26.
Please ascertain if this letter was
received & whether contents were in fact
very respectfully
Director

March 14. th 3

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Be pleased to furnish this office
with Two (200) Standard Inspection Blank
Forms # 73, and oblige

Very respectfully

Inspector

March 14. 1863

Thomas A. Parker Esq.
Chief U.S. Marshal
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:
The enclosed is furnished this office
with two (200) "Circulars" for
distribution, and nothing
very respectfully
Yours truly

march 10th 3

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:-

Please furnish this office with one copy
of each of the enclosed forms (#529^{2d} & #530) for
the investigation of ordinary cases.

Very respectfully

Inspector

March 1860

David A. Barber Esq
Chief of U.S. District
Washington D.C.

Sir:
Please furnish this office with one set of
of each of the enclosed forms (#200 & #201) for
the investigation of persons.
(Self explanatory)

Respectfully
Yours

800.11

BrownMarch 27th 3.

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

I have had several losses of ordinaries
 on the railroad between San Francisco
 and Santa Cruz, Cal, and from the evidence
 I can obtain it would appear that
 the Postal Clerk on said road (R A
 Brown) might be the one who does
 the work. He came here on May 10-82
 and has been running on said road since
 Aug. 4-82. No one here seems to know
 him and I can get no particulars concern-
 ing his habits and character. He was at
 one time employed in the Treasury
 Department, Washington D.C. and came
 from there direct here. Could you
 perhaps ascertain and inform me of his
 former character and standing? Yours respectfully

It is evidently a sharp man, as if a thief.
 He will be charged with it.

Sincerely

March 27
Brown

Washington D.C.
Chief O.C. Carpenter
Edward A. Carter Esq.

I have had several boxes of specimens
sent to the railroad between New York
and Santa Cruz, Cal. and from the railroad
been returned at several places that
the Postal Dept. on said road (D.C.)
(Brown) might be the one who has
the road. The same has on May 10-11
and has been running on said road since
Aug. 1-11. It only has been a few
times and I have got no particular concern
up his habits & character. He was at
one time employed in the Treasury
Department, Washington D.C. & came
from there about here - I could not
perhaps ascertain and inform me of his
former character & standing.

March 27
Brown
Chief O.C. Carpenter
Edward A. Carter Esq.

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forwarded to
 David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspr.
 for such disposition as
 he deems proper.

As this pkg. originated
 at Detroit I forward
 same to you that it
 may be forwarded to
 that District for an
 investigation if you
 should so desire.

Fred W. Schaefer

San Francisco, April 19. 3.

Mr. David B. Parker,
Chief Inspector,

Sir:

I respectfully report that the Stage which left Lakeport, California, at 7 A.M. April 12, 1883, on route No. 46116, was robbed by a single, masked highwayman, shortly before one o'clock in the afternoon, about five miles from Cloverdale. Six pouches were cut open. They contained about one hundred and fifty ordinary letters, a registered letter from Bartlett's Springs, and a registered letter containing \$1⁰⁵ from Kelseyville. The only enclosures in the ordinary mail, that I can hear of, are drafts and orders amounting to \$2651⁵⁰ which I think would be payable to order. It is reported that all or nearly all the ordinary mail was recovered, but no registers.

It was Black Bart: judging from the driver's description, and the signs left by the highwayman. Two of the best mountaineers to be found started on his trail and rode fifty or sixty miles that night and the next day, reaching

San Francisco, April 12.

Mr. James W. Barker,
Chief Inspector,

Sir:

I respectfully report that the stage which left
Oakland, California, at 7 A.M. April 12, 1883, on
route No. 116, was loaded by a single, loaded
highwayman, shortly before one o'clock in the afternoon,
about five miles from Chowchilla. Six horses were cut
off. The contents about one hundred and fifty cattle,
many horses, a registered letter from Scott's Springs,
and a registered letter containing \$100 from Kelleyville.
I am only concerned in the ordinary trail, that I can find,
are about and others amounting to \$250 to \$300 which
I think I can find. It is reported that all
the money all the ordinary trail was recovered, but no

It was black horse; jumping from the
ground description, and the sign left of the highwayman.
Two of the best mountaineers to be found
started on his trail and rode fifty or sixty
miles that night and the next day, reaching

Cahstoga in the afternoon, and I went from there over the routes to Middletown, Uncle Sam, Highland and Cleardale, but failed to find the lost trail.

I believe that "Black Bart" can be captured by the aid of a good blood hound. It seems to me that extraordinary methods must be resorted to, or a special reward offered, in order to secure the arrest and conviction of this highwayman. He has robbed the mail here on an average of once in about four months for over five years. He took \$90, money-order funds, on this same route last November, and undoubtedly his depredations have frightened many people living beyond easy reach of money-order offices, into patronizing the Express Company instead of the mails, in transmitting valuables.

Very respectfully,

J. O. Culver,
Inspector.

Coltado in the afternoon, and went from there
over the route to Middleton, (the same, this
land and Charlotte, but failed to find the
lost trail.

I believe that "Black Goat" can
be captured by the end of a good blood
hound. It seems to me that extraordi-

nary methods must be resorted to, or a
special reward offered, in order to secure
the arrest and conviction of this high-
wayman. He has robbed the train

twice in an average of once in about
four months for over five years.
He took \$20,000, money - order funds, on this

train about last November, and was
of his depredations have frightened some people
living beyond each of money - order offices,
into withdrawing the Express Company instead of
the rails in transmitting valuables.

Very respectfully,
J. C. Johnson,
Inspector.

March 12th 3

David B Parker Esq
 Chief Inspector P.D.
 Washington D.C

Sir

Your letter dated March 25. 83,
 to Inspector H. W. Schaute, relative to
 telegram July 1881 was referred to me,
 the circumstance not being known to
 Inspector Schaute.

I have the honor to inform you
 that the telegram in question was sent
 by me in absence of Inspectors, and for the
 reason, that some time before that date
 it was reported that James V. Kelly had
 been appointed P.D. Inspector, and when
 Inspector Sharp left the Office on
 business in Oregon, he instructed me to
 inform him when Mr Kelly reported.
 On the arrival of J. V. Kelly in this City
 he was arrested on Charge of embezzlement
 while in the Office of Internal

March 12th 3

James B. Parker Esq
Chief Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir
Your letter dated March 27. 83.
to Inspector F. W. Schanck, relative to
the circumstances not being known to
the Inspector Schanck.

I have the honor to inform you
that the telegram in question was sent
by me in absence of Inspector, and for the
reason that some time before that date
it was reported that James W. Kelly had
been appointed U.S. Inspector, and when
Inspector Sharp left the office on
business in Oregon, he instructed me to
inform him when the Kelly reported.
At the request of J. W. Kelly, in this city
he was associated on charge of matters
which in the office of Assistant

Revenue at San Jose Cal. and was
charged with having been defaulter to
amount of \$500.00. I was advised by
Postmaster Coey. to notify you, and done
so. also to Inspector Sharp. I have
learned today that Mr Kelly was
examined by. U.S. Commissioner and
discharged under Commissioner's bond.
Since that time, - (I am informed at
Internal Revenue Office in this City) he
has paid the amount due the U.S.,
or the same has been paid for him.

I am Sir

Very respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

W. A. Robinson

Inspector

Received at San Jose Cal. and was
 charged with having been deposited
 amount of \$500.00 I was advised by
 Postmaster Carr to notify you, and done
 so. also to deposit draft. I have
 learned today that the letter was
 received by the Commission and
 discharged under Commission's order.
 Since that time, - I am informed at
 Internal Revenue Office in the City of
 San Jose the amount due the U.S.
 on the same has been paid for.

I am Sir

Very respectfully
 Your Obedient Servant
 W. A. Robinson
 Inspector

April 28, 3.

David B. Parker, Esq.,
Chief Inspector,

Sir:

I have the honor to report that S. O. Gregory, Stamp and Register Clerk in the P.O. at Station B, San Francisco, was arrested yesterday, on a warrant sworn out by Inspector Culver, charging said Gregory with violating the provisions of Section 3924, R.S.

Gregory was formerly in the Main Office, and is one of the three men suspected of rifling registered letters. He was transferred to Station B. last August, where he has probably been violating the section above named ever since. It is believed that he has made over a dollar a day by his operations of larceny.

His examination has been postponed by the U.S. District Attorney until next Wednesday, and he is now out on \$1,000 bail.

Very respectfully,

Inspector.

April 28, 3.

Charles D. Barker, Esq.
Chief Inspector

Sir:
I have the honor to report that J. C. Gregory, a
stump and register clerk in the U.S. at station
No. 1, San Francisco, was arrested yesterday, on a
warrant drawn out by Inspector Barker, charging
said Gregory with violating the provision of
Section 3924, U.S.

Gregory was formerly in the main office, and
one of the three men suspected of refusing registration
letters. He was transferred to station No. 1, last August,
where he has probably been violating the section above
named ever since. It is believed that he has made
over a dollar a day by his operation of late.
His excommunication has been hastened by the
fact that Gregory wrote last Wednesday, and he is
now out on \$1,000 bail.

Very respectfully,

Inspector

cc.

April 28th 3.

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to report the robbery of the mail en route # 4016 - twenty miles east of Florence A.T. on April 3th at 5 P.M. by one masked high wayman who has thus far evaded capture.

Three lock pouches were cut open and the mail considerably mutilated. The ordinary mail which was not very heavy was forwarded on to destination - Globe & Riverside (A.T.) and was delivered. Herewith I enclose a list of Reg. Pkgs. which are reported as having been in the pouch and mailed at the time. Please have cash made up & forwarded to me.

Very respectfully
 Geo W. Chapin
 Inspector

April 28th

James A. Parker Esq
Chief of O. O. Inspectors
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to report the results
of the mail on route # 1000 - twenty
miles east of Lawrence K. on April
28th at 5 P.M. by our mounted light
company and also for our

company.
I have each parcel in
order of the mail and
the necessary mail which was not
very heavy was forwarded over to
western - Idaho (K. 1000) and
was taken to the nearest
in list of O. O. Inspectors and
found to be having been in the
mail and in the time. Please have
care made up of forwarded to me
very respectfully
J. M. Parker

Reg. Pkgs. Rifled on Route #40166.
 20 miles East of Florence, A.T.
 on April 3 (at 5³⁰ PM.) and

Number -	From -	Date -	To -
771.	Harford Conn.	4/4/83	Florence, A.T.
855	San Francisco Cal.	4/1/83	"
1269	Chicago Ill.	4/7/83	"
55	Clinton A.T.	"	"
10863	Chicago Ill.	"	"
2323	Los Angeles Cal.	"	"

The above list was forwarded
 to me by Postmaster at Florence
 A.T.

Wafap City, Cal.
 25-10-1883

May 4th 3.

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:-

Herewith please find the inspection report of the Napa City, Cal., postoffice made by Inspector McLaughrey on April 23rd-83, in compliance with your wishes of March 6-83.

I regret very much that this should be the only inspection we have been able to make since the receipt of your instructions, but other business has prevented.

The offices in Arizona would have been investigated by Inspector Robinson but he informs me, as you will see from his letter enclosed letter, that he met Inspector Wickessham at Deming New Mex.

Washington D.C.

May 11th

Chief of the Bureau
Washington D.C.

Enclosed please find the inspection
report of the State City, Cal. for office
made by Inspector Mr. [unclear] on
April 2nd-13, in compliance with
your order of March 1-13.

I regret very much that
the above is the only inspection
now had been able to make since
the receipt of your instructions but
other business has prevented.

The office in Oregon
would have been investigated by
Inspector Robinson but he is
now, as you will see from his letter
enclosed herewith, that he must
withdraw at leaving New Mex.

Parker

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who informed him that he (Wickersham) had special orders from the Department to inspect the offices at Tombstone, Tucson, Prescott ^{and} others in Arizona, hence Inspector Robinson did not do so. — In case Inspector Wickersham failed to inspect any of the offices above referred to, which you wish to have inspected, please let me know ^{and} I will have it done as soon as possible.

Very respectfully

Inspector

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also informed him that he (Richardson) had applied orders from the Department to inspect the office at Savannah, the now, Governor and others in Georgia, have Inspector Robinson did not do so. - In case Inspector Richardson failed to inspect any of the offices above referred to, which you wish to have inspected, please let me know and I will have it done.

as possible

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May 5, 3.

David B. Parker, Esq.,
Chief Inspector,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The case of S.O. Gregory came before
the United States Commissioner this forenoon,
and Gregory, through his Counsel, waived
an examination.

The prisoner is out on \$1000
bail, to await the action of the Grand
Jury.

Very respectfully,
Fred W. Baerle
Inspector.

May 2, 1852

Charles D. Parker, Esq.
Chief Justice
Washington, D.C.

Sir:
The case of J. O. Gregory came before
the United States Commissioner this forenoon,
and Gregory, through his Counsel, presented
an examination.

The prisoner is out on \$1000
bail, to await the action of the Grand
Jury.

Very respectfully,
J. B. B. B. B.
Counselor.

San Francisco ^{5/10} 3

Parker

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington D.C.

Inspector McLaughlin today
arrested Fred. E. Wright

Postal Clerk on Southern

Pacific Railroad. - Particulars

by mail.

W. S. Hauke

(Chicago Goods) Inspector

Sir:
 The United States
 and Foreign
 an account
 Washington D.C.
 Chapter for today
 corrected 10.10.18
 Postal labels on
 Pacific Railroad -
 in mail.
 W. A. Hunt
 (Chicago) Professor

Wright

May 12th 3.

David. B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Change made
I have the honor to report that
Inspector R. B. M. Gaughey arrested
~~arrested~~ Fred. E. Wright, a Postal Clerk
on the Southern Pacific Railroad,
at Caliente, Cal^a. on the morning
of May 10-83. whilst enroute from
Dulles to San Francisco, Cal^a

Wright having been sus-
pected for a long time, Inspector
M. Gaughey prepared test letters,
both Registers & Ordinaries, and left with
them Jan April 30-83. commencing
his operations at Lordsburg N. Mex.
working towards San Francisco. Cal.

His labors proved very
successful, as he found marked coin
and currency, of both Ordinary & Reg.

Thirteenth

May 10th

James D. Barber Esq
 Chief of Police
 Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to report that
 Inspector J. D. M. Barber connected
 with Fred E. Wright, a noted black
 man the Southern Pacific Railroad
 at Atlanta, Ga. on the morning
 of May 10-83. whilst enroute from
 Atlanta to New Orleans, Ga.
 Wright having been con-
 sidered for a long time, Inspector
 M. Barber prepared that letter
 both Captain and Ordinance, and left with
 them on April 30-83. commencing
 his operations at New Orleans, La.
 working towards New Orleans, La.
 This labor proved very
 successful, as he found many in
 the city, of both Ordinance & Rep.

Change
 made

To Parker

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Wright

letters on Wright's person when arrested. The evidence was so positive & conclusive that Wright "made a clear break of it" to Inspector McLaughlin & on their arrival at San Francisco, Cal. on the evening of May 10-83 he (Wright) waived examination & on May 11-83 went into court - pleaded guilty under section #5467 & was sentenced by Judge Hoffman, to one year in the penitentiary at San Quentin, Cal.

Wright admits having mailed Reg. letters & destroyed & stolen ordinary letters in great numbers. Through his friends he has promised to make good the losses amounting to \$200⁰⁰, the amount to be paid within a few days.

In conclusion I would state that A. J. McKimick, Supt. R.M.S. at this place, rendered valuable assistance in bringing this case against

Very respectfully

Inspector

Wright

To Court

Letter on Wright's former return on vote.
 The evidence was so positive in the
 and that Wright "made a clean breast
 of it" to Chapin & Mr. Thompson and our
 friends and not at San Francisco, Cal.
 on the evening of May 10-03 he (Wright)
 underwent examination at San Francisco
 went into court - pleaded guilty
 under Section # 2567 and was sentenced
 by Judge Hoffman, to one year in
 the Penitentiary at San Quentin, Cal.
 Wright and wife having refused
 to let their names be attached to either
 letter in regard to numbers. Thompson for
 friends he has promised to make
 good the loss amounting to \$200.
 the amount to be paid within a
 few days.

Chapin & Mr. Thompson should state
 that J. M. Smith, Capt. G. M. A. et
 the above named valuable witnesses
 in bringing this case against
 very respectfully

Chapin

Gregory

May 12th 3.

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:-

On April 28.03 I reported the arrest
of one S.O. Gregory. Dep. Clerk at
Station "B" San Francisco California.
Since then the matter has been
before the Grand jury and they failed
to find a true bill.

While Gregory has been
liberated, still the fact remains
that he was guilty as charged.
and I maintain that the evidence
was good and sufficient to convict
but I have no control over the
influences which caused the Grand
jury to ignore the charges.

Very respectfully

Chas. F. [unclear]
Inspector

For copy

May 12th

Comd. A. C. Jones Esq
Chief of O. O. Inspectors
Washington D. C.

On April 22.23 I inspected the monument
of one A. C. Jones Esq. Chief of
Station "O" at San Francisco California
thence from the monument has been
before the Board and they failed
to find a true bill.

While I was at the monument
I learned that the fact remains
that he was guilty as charged.
and I maintain that the evidence
was good and sufficient to convict
but I have no control over the
influence which caused the Board
to ignore the charges.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
O. O. Inspectors

Gleason

May 12th 3.

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Yours of May 3-83 in reference to
the case of Martin Van Buren Gleason
has been received and in reply I
would state that all the information
I have since his arrest is
that he was taken to Tucson A.T.
for trial and was released. For additional
particulars see enclosed copy
of letter from the Hon. Dist. atty.
at Tucson, A.T. dated April 18-83

The exact date when the
case was disposed of I have not
yet ascertained and shall inform
you when I am informed.

Should any further information
be desired it will be cheerfully
furnished. Very respectfully
Inspector

Albany

May 12th

James O. Barker Esq
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

Yours of May 3-83 in reference to
the case of Montgomery James
has been received and in reply I
would state that all the information
I have since been able to
obtain has been taken to Bureau and
for trial was released. For addition
of particulars very much copy
of letters from the above list copy
at Bureau D.C. dated April 18-83
The right state when the
case was reported of I have not
yet ascertained shall inform
you when I am informed.
I have only further information
than is shown in this for carefully
very respectfully
furnished J.
O. Barker

Colusa, Cal.

May 21st 3.

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith please find
inspection report of Inspector
Tracy of the Colusa Cal. postoffice
dated May 19-83.

Very respectfully

Inspector

Robert Col.

May 21st

Chief O. O. Chaplain
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:
Enclosed herewith please find
a statement report of Chaplain
Robert Col. for the
month of May 19-80.
Very respectfully
Chaplain

San Francisco ^{5/27} 3

David B. Parker

Chief Inspector

Washington D.C.

I arrested today John R.
Kimball, late a Postal
Officer, for obtaining fraud-
ulain, two Registered
letters from the San Fran-
cisco Postoffice - Particularly
by mail - F.M. Chaute
(Gov. etc collect) Inspector

Barney Stovens

May 22d 3.

David. B. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter from Barney Stovens was referred to me by the Dist. Atty to know whether the case should be tried in the U.S. court. In my opinion it cannot but I should like to have the opinion from the Department.

The letter explains itself
very respectfully

Inspector

General Thomas

May 22d

General A. A. Gordon Esq
Chief of O. O. Inspectors
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter from General
Thomas is now referred to me by the
Chief of O. O. Inspectors. The
case should be tried in the U.S.
court. In my opinion it cannot
but I should like to have the
opinion from the Department.
The letter regarding itself
very respectfully

Inspector

Kimball

May 22d 3.

David. B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

I have the honor to report that I arrested today, at San Francisco Cal^a. one John. T. Kimball, under section 5469 R.S. for obtaining fraudulently (2) two Registered letters from the San Francisco postoffice which are described on the enclosed two blanks.

Kimball was late a Postal Clerk and was arrested by Inspectors Sharp and McLaughley (I believe) tried and sentenced to two years, but never served his time. He was pardoned or released by some influential particulars of which I know not. Kimball has waived an

Trinoball

May 22d

David D. Parker Esq
Chief of O. O. Inspectors
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir -
I have the honor to report that
I accompanied today not only
Col. J. A. D. Trinoball, under
Section 2000 of the
Act of 1862, for obtaining from
the O. O. Inspectors, for the purpose
of the Act, the enclosed two
checks.

Trinoball was late a Captain but
was promoted by Inspector D. D. Parker
and Mr. D. D. Parker (the Chief of Inspectors)
continued to two years, but never
served his time. He was promoted
or released by some influence
particular of which I know not.
Trinoball has received an

examination ² and in default of a
\$100000 bond was committed to
jail. He expects however that
his friends will furnish the bond
as soon as they hear of his trouble.
Very respectfully

Wm. H. Thompson
Inspector

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 10000 bond was committed to
 jail. The reports however that
 his friends will furnish the bond
 as soon as they hear of his trouble.
 Very respectfully

O. J. [unclear]
 [unclear]

Kimball

May 25 - 3.

David. S. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

It is intimated to me that the friends of John A. Kimball, recently arrested here, are making efforts to have him pardoned - owing to his family connections. - I hope this will not be done - as I do not know of a more wicked & degraded man than John A. Kimball.

I wish you would please speak to Mr Sharp concerning this matter as I have every reason to believe that he is well acquainted with the true character of Kimball.

The full extent of Kimball's crimes never will be known - still, sufficient is known to put

Thimble

May 25 - 5

David D. Barber Esq
Chief of O. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

It is interesting to me that the
friends of John D. Thimble, recently
associated here, are making effort
to have him pardoned - owing to his
family connections. - I hope this
will not be done as I do not
know of or know much of the
man John D. Thimble.
I wish you would please
ask to Mr. Chief concerning this
matter as I have every reason to
believe that he is well appointed
with the true character of Thimble
The full extent of Thimble's
services never will be known -
still, sufficient is known to put

him down as a dangerous man. His associations were of the lowest class. For the past three months he has been the habit of going to the different hotels in the city and stealing letters out of the boxes, which are generally on the Hotel counters and contain the letters addressed to parties in care of the hotel, - In this way he got the usual printed notice to "call on Registry Clerk for a valuable letter" - (two) addressed to Mrs Wm Berrell, on which he obtained a box of jewelry and a draft for \$70.00 which draft he had cashed after the indorsement of an innocent party.

Likewise he got a letter to the address of Mrs. Sarah A. White containing a draft for \$70.00, which, with the aid of a woman who is not known, he got cashed, by imposing upon an old Postal Clerk by the name of Geo. W. Aldrich, who did not

been known as a dangerous man.
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and obtaining letters out of the boxes
which are generally on the hotel
counters. He obtains the letters
addressed to parties in care of
the hotel. - In this way he
got the usual printed notice
to call on Register Book for a
valuable letter. (two) addressed to
Mrs. Wm. Davis, an article he
obtained a box of jewelry & a
draft for \$500 which draft he
had cashed after the retirement
of our innocent party.
Therefore he got a letter to
the address of Mrs. Davis. A. White
containing a draft for \$500.
valuable, with the aid of a woman
who is not known, he got cashed
by depositing papers on old
faded checks by the name of
Geo. W. White.

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know that identification in such cases was also responsibility.

Kirshall has also been seen with other drafts which as yet have not turned up or may have been destroyed by him.

He planned his depredations so shrewdly ^{and} executed them so well, that some think it is doubtful whether or not he can be convicted - But since the arrest I have been able to gather some evidence which I think will warrant his conviction. The only trouble is that some of the witnesses are so low ^{and} degraded - (viz W — ^{and} gamblers) that there is a possibility of their being influenced with money or other inducements to go back on their present statements at the final trial.

Very respectfully

Dr. J. H. [unclear]

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 such cases was also impossible.
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 as yet have not turned up or
 may have been destroyed by fire.
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 be convicted - But since the court
 I have been able to gather some
 evidence which I think will
 remove his conviction. The
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 witnesses are so low ^{and} degraded -
 (say 11 - 12) (say 12) that there
 is a possibility of their being
 influenced with money or other
 inducements to go back on their
 former statements at the trial
 trial.

Very respectfully

Chapman

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May 25 3.

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:-

In compliance with yours of
 May 17th, herewith returned I forward
 herewith all the papers in my
 possession concerning the alleged
 rifling of Reg. letter # 7407 R.P.C. # 4827.
 from San Francisco Cal. March 1-83
 by S. F. Benhagen to Librarian
 of Congress Washington D.C.

Very respectfully
 Daniel

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May 23

James A. Gordon Esq
Chief of the Department
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir: In compliance with your order of May 14th, herewith returned of record herewith are the papers in my possession concerning the alleged rifling of Reg. Letter # 7401 D.C. 4227 found in the Bureau of Ordnance 1-83 by Lt. Thompson & others in the Department of War.

Very respectfully,
James A. Gordon

9-^a cases

(2-3)

May 3rd

23 22
 23023^a
 25516^a
 26136^a
 26769^a
 26901^a
 26956^a
 25605^a
 25152^a
 3.

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir

Herewith enclosed please find \$72¹⁵
 to pay for the following Registered
 cases. viz #23022^a #23023^a #25516^a #26136^a
 #26769^a #26901^a #26956^a #25005^a #25152^a.

23022^a

In this case the money \$6⁴⁰ should
 be returned to Wm J. Ransom, the
 sender, at Pinea, Graham Co. A.D.

23023^a

In this case the money \$19²⁵ should
 be returned to Mrs Mary L. Ransom
 the sender at Pinea, Graham Co., A.D.

25516

In this case the money \$70⁰⁰ should
 by all means be returned to the
 sender J M^cElray at Pioneer A.D.

I would respectfully ask for a
 speedy settlement in this case as
 Mr M^cElray is a poor man ^{and} as

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U. M. Gordon ^{and Co.} the parties addressed hold a limited mortgage on some of Mrs McElroy's property for said amount

26136 The money in this case \$2000 should be paid ~~to~~. I would here state that this case has never reached me. It was forwarded by the Dept. to Inspector Lee ^{and} under date of May 9-83 I requested him to return it for reference to this District

26769 In this case the money \$2000 should be paid to Mrs Laura Watkins the addressee at San Jose, Cal. She is the mother of the sender ^{and} such disposition of said amount will be in accordance with their request

26901 In this case the money \$500 should be paid to the party addressed (I presume) at Wilmington, Delaware she no doubt being the wife of the sender who - being an army officer down in the territory of Arizona would be hard to trace.

of Mr. [unclear] the [unclear] [unclear]
 and back on limited [unclear] [unclear]
 of Mr. [unclear] [unclear] for [unclear]
 amount

The money in this case \$200 should
 be paid to [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

state that the case has never reached
 the [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 to [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 as I requested him to return it for
 reference to this District

In this case the money \$200 should
 be paid to [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] at [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 the master of the [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 disposition of said amount will

be in accordance with their request
 In this case the money \$200 should
 be paid to the party [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] at [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 the [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] in the [unclear] of [unclear]
 would be paid to [unclear]

\$200

\$200

\$200

26956 In this case the money \$2.00 should be returned to the sender, Jas. Percy
 & Co Percy Bros. Wilcox Arizona. such is the request of Mr Steier the party addressed.

25005 In this case I have not as yet ascertained to whom the \$1.00 should be paid. I have however written to Mr. J. C. Duhamel, the sender at Rocky Bar Idaho and requested him to notify your office to whom the amount should be forwarded.

25152 In this case the amount \$1.50 should be paid to Wm M. Ireland the sender at Washington, D.C. the sender of the pamphlets. In case Mr Ireland should refuse the money, it should be returned to Wm Forsythe postmaster at Geysers Springs Cal a from whom it was collected.

For additional particulars please see the reports in the respective cases.

Very respectfully

Inspector

In this case the money \$200 should
 be returned to the sender, for Gov.
 of New York. Please inform the party
 the report of Mr. Allen the party
 addressed.

In this case I have not as yet seen
 arrived to where the \$100 should be
 paid. I have however written to Mr.
 J. D. Buchanan, the sender of the
 \$100, and requested him to notify
 your office to return the amount
 should be forwarded.

In this case the amount \$100 should
 be paid to Mr. M. Buchanan the
 sender of Washington, D.C. the sender
 of the pamphlet. In case Mr. M.
 should refuse the money, it
 should be returned to Mr. M.
 Secretary at New York City
 from where it was collected.
 For additional particulars
 please see the reports in the
 respective cases.

Very respectfully
 O. Chapman

Kimball

May 29.

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David B. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Hon. G. H. Perry Atty at Law of
San Francisco Cal^a, called upon
me ^{and} requested that the Depart-
ment require Milton G. Sawyer, Registry
Clerk at the San Francisco Cal^a
postoffice to make good to him the
amount (\$70⁰⁰) which he (Perry) has
to pay on account of Mr Sawyer's
delivering a Registered letter on a
forged order to one John A. Kimball
who was arrested on May 22-83 by
me, as reported.

The facts in the case are as
follows: - Viz. One Charles L. Perrill
registered at Honolulu Hawaiian
Island, on April 11-83 - a letter ^{and}
a small box. Both addressed to

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Mrs Wm Berrill, Russ House San Francisco, Cal. The letter contained a draft - copy of which is herewith enclosed - and the box contained a lot of jewelry - valued at \$600.

Both the letter^{and} box reached San Francisco, Cal. per S.S. "Australia" on April 19-83^{and} are recorded as #2267^{and} #2268 - The usual notice "Please apply to Reg. letter Clerk for a valuable letter" (Form #1525) addressed to Mrs Wm Berrill was left at the Russ House. As Mrs Berrill was then not at the Russ House said notice was placed in the Hotel letter box which stands on the counter^{and} is accessible by every body. John A Kimball, a son of the late Postmaster at Ogden Utah^{and} an ex-Postal Clerk - who made stealing of letters from Hotel letter boxes, a business, stole this notice addressed to Mrs Wm Berrill^{and} called at the Ladies' Window of the General Delivery at the San Francisco Postoffice for letters to

I think
 Mrs. Wm. Gerrill, Mrs. Anne Low-
 Gorman, etc. in the latter contain-
 ed a draft - copy of which is here-
 with enclosed. The box contained
 a lot of jewelry - valued at \$1000.
 (Sent the latter and has reached her
 Gorman, etc. for J. D. Thurston
 on April 10-83 and was received as
 # 2207 and # 2208 - The usual notice
 "Please apply to Rep. Letter Clerk
 for a valuable letter" (Form #122)
 addressed to Mrs. Wm. Gerrill was
 left at the Cape Anne. As Mrs.
 Gerrill was then not at the Cape
 Anne said notice was placed in
 the letter box which stands
 on the counter and is accessible by
 every body. John A. Churchill, a
 son of the late Postmaster at Cape
 Anne, and an ex-Postal Clerk - who
 was a relative of letters from the
 letter box, a business, state the
 notice addressed to Mrs. Wm. Gerrill
 was called at the Cape, Mrs. Wm. of
 the General Delivery at the Cape
 Gorman's Postoffice for letters to

Kimball Case

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the address of Mrs Wm Barrill. There were no letters for her - but a second notice (Form # 1525) same as stated before was handed to him on April 27-83. Kimball then forged an order: viz - "San Francisco. April 28-83 Please give the bearer, Mr Kimball any mail for me - Mrs Wm Barrill" With this order he called at the Registry Clerk's window on Saturday morning April 28-83 and presented same to Mrs M. G. Sawyer - the Registry Clk. who, without knowing Kimball or the genuineness of the order, delivered both the Reg. letter and small box to said John A. Kimball. Kimball disposed of the jewelry on the same day and "got on a drunk" with the proceeds - He was arrested about midnight from Saturday to Sunday (April 28 to 29-83) by Police men Flynn and Coleman for drunkenness and boisterous conduct - On his person was found the draft for \$1000 referred to above, with the name of J. B. Barrill endorsed in blank

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the address of Mrs. Wm. D. D. - there
 were no letters for her - but a second
 notice (from #100) came on state be-
 fore was handed to him - on April
 27-28. Thirball then forgot an
 order: viz - "from Thirball. April 28-29"
 Please give the order, Mr. Thirball
 my mail for me - Mrs. Wm. D. D.
 With the order he called at the
 Registry Clerk's room on Saturday
 morning April 28-29 and presented same
 to Mr. Wm. D. D. - the Registry Clerk
 who, without knowing Thirball
 or the genuineness of the order, deliv-
 ered both the Reg. letter and small
 box to said John D. Thirball.
 Thirball showed of the parcel and
 the same day "got on a horse"
 with the parcel - He now arrived
 about midnight from Saturday
 to Sunday (April 28-29) by Collier
 men from Collier for about
 every 10 minutes - On his
 person was found the draft for
 \$1000 - referred to above with the name
 of J. D. D. and signed in blank

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on the back (see copy). On Sunday morning, April 29-83 - while the said Mr G. W. Perry was walking through the jail - Kimball hailed him ^{and} after a short conversation requested him to see Judge Dooley (superior judge) ^{and} inform him that a son of General Kimball of Ogden was in the "lock up" for drunkenness ^{and} would be very much obliged to Judge Dooley if he (Judge) would let him out, ^{and} that he (Kimball) would pay him (Perry) well for his trouble. Mr Perry then went to see Judge Dooley, who caused his release. On Monday - April 30-83 the Property Clerk of the Police Office turned over to Kimball the said draft - Mr Kimball not having any money ^{and} not being known at Williams Diamond ^{and} Co's requested Perry to go with him (Kimball) ^{and} identify him at Williams Diamond Co. as John A. Kimball - which Mr Perry did ^{and} the draft was paid to said Kimball as per face value.

to send the book (copy). On January
morning, April 22-23 - while the old
over L. H. Brown was making through
the soil. The book is dated June 22
after a short conversation requested
him to see Judge Foster (copy)
Judge Foster informed him that a copy
of General Marshall of Oregon
was in the "back" for him to see
and would be very much obliged to
Judge Foster of the (copy) would
let him see that he (Marshall)
would pay him (copy) for
his trouble. The copy then went
to our Judge Foster, who carried his
release. On Monday - April 22-23
the property back of the Office
Office turned over to Marshall the
said draft. Marshall was having
any money and was being known at
William Brown (copy) is requested
copy to go with him (Marshall) and
intelligently him at William Brown
to. and John D. Marshall - and if Mr
copy sent the draft was paid.
to send Marshall and for him

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(\$7000). - Mr Perry states that he was an innocent victim. ^{and} that it was all caused through the carelessness of M. S. Sawyer the Registry Clerk in the San Francisco post office ^{and} therefore asks that said Mr Sawyer be required to make good the amount (\$7000).

Mr Sawyer disregarded both the letter ^{and} the spirit of Sections #868 ^{and} 869 Postal Laws ^{and} Regulations of '79. Mrs Merrill ^{and} Mrs Kimball being unknown to him (Sawyer) the least he should have done was to require identification

very respectfully

Inspector

1800-1 - Mr. Garry states that he
was an independent writer. And that
it was all caused through the
corruption of Mr. G. Garry the
Register Office in the London
Post Office and therefore asks that
said Mr. Garry be referred to
make good the amount (1000).
Mr. Garry answered that

the letter and the spirit of the
#861 and 862 Post Office Regulation
of 1790. Mr. Garry and Mr. Thibault
being unknown to him (Garry) the
last he should have done was to

require satisfaction
Very respectfully
G. Garry

Kimball

May 31st 3.

David. B. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

I respectfully report the loss of a letter from Austin, Minn. March 20-1883 to San Francisco, Cal^a and the result of my investigation in the case.

The letter was mailed by A. F. Banfield Pres^t or A. W. Page, the Cashier of the First Natl. Bank Austin Minn. and was addressed to Mrs. Sarah A. White, Russ House, San Francisco, Cal. Said letter contained draft # 22628 for \$10000 issued by the First National Bank Austin, Minn. on The Chemical National Bank, New York City N. Y.

The letter reached San Francisco, Cal^a on or about March 29th and was left at the Russ House. Mrs. White having left for Santa Barbara, Cal^a

Amherst

May 21st

James D. Barker Esq
Chief of O. Chancery
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have respectfully request the, for of a letter
from the United States, March 20-1893 to
John D. Barker Esq and the result of my
investigation in the case.

The letter was mailed by
A. F. D. Barker Esq at A. F. D. Barker Esq.
Chairman of the First Natl. Bank Trust
Company, and was addressed to Mrs. Barker
D. Barker Esq, New York, New York.
This letter contained draft # 2222 for
\$10000000 by the First National Bank
Trust, New York, and the Commercial
National Bank, New York City, N.Y.
The letter reached New York
on or about March 20th and
was left at the New York. Mr. Barker
having left for Santa Barbara, Cal.

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the letter was placed in the general letter box of the hotel, which is standing on the counter^{and} is accessible to every one. - John A. Timball stole this letter (as well as many others) out of said box at the Russ House.

Early in April Timball boasted to some of his acquaintances that his father had sent him a \$700⁰⁰ draft.

On April 10-83 John A. Timball took a woman to the Quaker Dairy, a Restaurant opposite the Lick House kept by one Geo. W. Hildreth (late a Postal Clerk - resigned March - 1882)^{and} introduced said woman as Mrs Sarah A. White, a lady friend of his (Timball's) father whom the family had known in Indianapolis &c &c, ^{and} requested Mr Hildreth to take Mrs White to some bank ^{and} identify her, so that she could get the money on a \$700⁰⁰ draft, as she wanted to leave for Los Angeles on the first train. Mr Hildreth accompanied the pseudo Mrs White to the Bank of California in this city ^{and} there identified the lady as

the latter was placed in the general
letter box of the State, which is attached
up under the counter and is accessible to
every one. - John A. Nichol also
this letter (as well as many others)
out of said box at the State House.
Early in April Nichol lost
it to some of his acquaintances that
his father had sent him a \$100 draft.
On April 10-12 John A. Nichol
took a room at the Lincoln Hotel
a restaurant opposite the Lincoln Hotel
kept by one Geo. W. Thompson (late a
Quaker) - married March - 1882) and
introduced said room as Mrs. White
A. White, a lady friend of his (Nichol's)
father whom the family had known
in Philadelphia 40 years, and requested her
to take Mrs. White to some
bank and identify her, so that she
could get the money on a \$100 draft.
as she wanted to leave for Los Angeles
on the first train. Mrs. White
accompanied the pseudo Mrs. White
to the Bank of California in San
Francisco where identified the lady as

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Mrs Sarah A. White and the money (\$700.00) was paid to the woman.

The evidence obtained since Kimball's arrest, on May 22-83, shows that said woman's real name is Lucinda Brown - who resides at #114 Dupont Street - has two children and a drunken husband - She got \$350.00 of the amount and Kimball \$350.00

Mrs Brown states that she had known Kimball in Utah. and that he came to their house on April 8th and 9th and induced her to go with him and assist him in getting a \$700.00 cashed, which he (Kimball) claimed he had found on the street and further that he knew Mrs Sarah A. White, the owner, had lost it and returned to the East - He also said that the endorsement on said draft (Sarah A. White) was written upon it when he (Kimball) found it. The \$350.00 which Mrs Brown received have recovered - but the \$350.00 which Kimball received were squandered

In as much as the letter was

Mrs. Sarah D. White and the woman
 (7000) was paid to the woman.
 The evidence obtained
 Michael's arrest, on May 22-23, shows
 that said woman's real name is
 Frederick Brown - who resides at #114
 Dupont Street - has two children
 a married husband - she got \$2000
 of the amount of Michael's \$2000
 Mrs. Brown states that she
 had known Michael in Utah. And
 that he came to their house on
 April 2nd and visited her to go with
 him and assist him in getting a 7000
 cashed, which he (Michael) returned
 he had found on the street and further
 that he knew Mrs. Sarah D. White,
 the woman, had lost it and returned
 to the East - He also said that the
 endorsement on said draft (Sarah
 D. White) was written upon it when
 he (Michael) found it. She \$2000
 which Mrs. Brown received from re-
 covered - but the \$2000 which
 Michael received was surrendered
 down much as the latter was

delivered according to address ^{and}
 it being a clear case of forgery, I
 turned the matter over to the Chief
 of Detectives of San Francisco, Cal.
 who caused Kimball's indictment
 in the state courts on a charge
 of forgery.

Mrs Sarah A. White the
 owner of said letter ^{and} draft has since
 returned from Santa Barbara Cal.
^{and} is now at the Rues House, but very
 anxious to return to Austin, Minn.

She was induced to remain
 here by the Chief of Detectives of this
 City so that she could be used as
 a witness in the case against
 Kimball.

Without her evidence Kimball
 could not be convicted in the State
 court.

Very respectfully
 Inspector

delivered according to address
it being in clear case of forgery, I
returned the matter over to the Chief
of Detection of New Brunswick, who
has caused Nicholas's indictment
in the state courts over a charge
of forgery.

Mrs Sarah A. White the
owner of said letter and drafts has since
returned from Santa Barbara, Cal
and is now at the Green House, but very
anxious to return to Austin, Minn.
The man intended to remain
here by the Chief of Detection of the
Dept as that she could be used as
a witness in the case against
Nicholas.

Nicholas has no more trouble
could not be convicted in the state
court.

Very respectfully
Oscar

32500

6/1 3.
 referred to
 David J. Parker Esq
 Chief P. O. Inspr.
 Washington
 D.C.

for his information
 and such action as he
 may deem proper.

I have sent him
 a small amount of
 supplies and also a few
 requisitions.

I have asked that
 he be furnished
 with copy of Postal
 Laws & Regulations
 as well as a Jan'y 83.
 guide.

2200

referred to
 David, D. D. D. D.
 Chief, D. D. D. D.
 Washington
 for his information
 for such advice as he
 may deem proper.
 I have seen him
 a small amount of
 sufficient to see a few
 specimens.
 He has ordered that
 he be furnished
 with a copy of the
 laws of the
 as well as the
 of the

John A. Kimball

June 5th 3

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

Mr W. G. Sawyer the Registry Clerk
in the San Francisco Postoffice paid
to me, under protest, \$6.00 - that being
stated as the value of a small Register
ed box of jewelry (letter postage) from
Honolulu, H. I. to San Francisco
Cal^a April 11-83 by Mr Berrill to
Mrs W^m Berrill. I protesting on the
ground that contents of said box were
jewelry in violation of Section # 1117.
Postal Laws & Regulations.

The above box was delivered
to me John A. Kimball on a forged
order; Not only was the order a
forgery but Mr Sawyer, the Registry
Clerk, did not even know Kimball

John A. Kirkland

June 20 3

David A. Barker Esq
Chief of O. O. Inspectors
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Mr. W. B. Sawyer the Register Clerk
in the Bureau of Photoduplication has
to me, under protest, \$1000 - that being
stated as the value of a small Register
in box of parcels (letter parcels) from
Hawthorne, N. Y. to New York
and dated 11-20 by Mr. Barker to
Mr. W. B. Sawyer. Protecting on the
ground that content of said box was
parcels in violation of Section 1117
Postal Laws & Regulations.

The above box was delivered
to me John A. Kirkland on a forged
order. Not only was the order a
forgery but Mr. Sawyer, the Register
Clerk, did not know John A. Kirkland

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to whom he delivered it - nor did he require any identification.

For reasons set forth above I hold that Sawyer should be held responsible for the value (\$6000) of said box.

Our connection with this I would respectfully call your attention to my letter of May 29-83 referring to a case wherein Mr Sawyer delivered a letter, at the same time, to said Kimball, on same order. Said letter contained a draft for \$700 from same party in Honolulu to same party in San Francisco, Cal.

Your early decision in this matter is respectfully solicited

Yours respectfully

Inspector

to indicate the value of it - however
 be required any identification.
 For reasons not found above
 of fact that the value of the
 responsible for the value (1000) of
 said box.

Our conversation with the above
 respectfully call your attention to
 my letter of May 22-83 referring to
 a case involving the above
 a letter at the same time, to said
 Nicholas, on same order. Said
 letter contained a draft for \$100
 from same party in Nicholas to
 same party and the same, the
 from early decision in this
 matter is respectfully solicited
 Yours respectfully
 Charles

Blanks

June 6th 3.

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:-

Please furnish this office with
about 500 of the enclosed blanks
(#582) and greatly oblige

Very respectfully

Inspector

Albany

June 1st

David A. Barker Esq
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Please furnish this office with
about 500 of the enclosed blank
(#282) and greatly oblige
Very respectfully

Respectfully

Telephone

June 6th 3.

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:-

I would respectfully ask you, if possible, to procure an allowance for use of a telephone in this office.

The charges for same would be as follows:-

Putting up instrument &c.	\$10.00
Rental per month	\$5.00

Each request for switch called for by any person at this office 5¢

As a matter of course such telephone would be only for use on official business & any person using same on private matters would pay for switch (5¢) each & every time.

I saw about four blacks from the postoffice & it is increasing.

Telegrams

June 1st

David D. Parker Esq
Chief D. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

I have respectfully ask you if you
will, to procure an allowance for use
of a telephone in this office.
The charges for same would be

as follows:-

Putting up instrument &c. \$10.00
Rental for month \$2.00

Each request for switch called
for by my person at this office \$5
The amount of course such
telephone would be only for use
on official business & my person
using same my private matters would
pay for switch & calls & every time
I am called from blocks from
the post office & matters is increasing

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day - a telephone would often facili-
tate matters and avoid considerable
loss of time.

If it can be consistently
granted it would greatly oblige
very respectfully

338.00

Inspector

6/7

3.

referred to

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.
for his information

Referring to alleged
ripping of Reg. return from
Vacaville, Cal. 4/10-23 to
Post Wm. J. Alaskan
J. P. Ward, Sec. and Mrs. A. P.
McFarland address
containing 100

6/7

b.

referred to

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.
for his information

Robbery of the Union
Cal. Post Office June 6th
to 7th 88. Amounting to money
amounting to 100

Fred. W. Thayer
S.

say - a telephone would often fail
 - like letters and avoid coverable
 loss of time.

But it can be conveniently
 mounted it would greatly add
 very respectfully

Chapman

338.00

referred to
 David A. Barker
 Chief of Police
 Washington D.C.
 for his information

Received of the
 State of New York
 the sum of \$100.00
 on account of
 the sum of \$100.00
 paid to the State of New York
 by the State of New York

referred to
 David A. Barker
 Chief of Police
 Washington D.C.
 for his information

Received of the
 State of New York
 the sum of \$100.00
 on account of
 the sum of \$100.00
 paid to the State of New York
 by the State of New York

Attest
 J. W. Thompson

341. ⁰⁰June 11th 3.

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D. C.

Sir:-

The postmaster at Grafton, Colusa Co. Cal (Frank T. Grimes) informs me that his office was not supplied with a Postal Guide for Jan'y 83.-- If possible, I would respectfully ask that he be furnished with same.

Very respectfully
 Fred Thurte
 Inspector

14th

June 11th

David A. Graham Esq
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The postmaster at Groton, Colman Co.
tells (Frank A. Jones) informs me that
his office was not supplied with a
postal guide for June 18. If possible,
I should respectfully ask that he be
furnished with same.

Very respectfully
O. D. Jones
Postmaster

20005 A ~ 1.C.8 ~

6/12 3

returned to
David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspr
Washington
D.C.

With the information
that the case referred
to was returned to the
Department on May
31-1883.

Aded W. Thaurts
B

2000 A. 10. 8.

10/10

returned to

Don't A. Barber
Chief O. O. Barber
Washington
D. C.

With the information
that the case referred
to was returned to the
Department on May
31-1883.

John W. Barber

Dec. 29-81
 Madison, Cal
 W. E. Fifield
 Craue & Brigham
 San Francisco, Cal
 95 95
 \$5000

W. E. Fifield
 18874

June 23rd 3.

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

Mr W. E. Fifield the sender of the Reg. letter #95 referred to in the above case called at this office today and requested to be informed how it is that he has not yet received his \$5000 - I would here state that the money together with above case was returned to the Department on Jan'y 31-83. with the request that it be returned to W. E. Fifield the sender.

Mr Fifield has now left Madison Cal and his present address is #1007 McAllister Street San Francisco, Cal -

Your attention is respectfully solicited and will oblige

Very respectfully
 Edward J. Hanite
 Inspector

1884

Dec 27-84
Washington, D.C.
Mr. W. E. Field
House of Representatives
Room 2000

Dear Sir

Chief of U.S. Land Office
Washington, D.C.

Mr. W. E. Field is the owner of the dep. letter
#2 referred to in the above case called
at this office today and requested to be in-
formed that it is that he has not yet
received his \$500. I would like to see that
that the money together with above
case was returned to the department
on Jan 1-85 with the report that it
be returned to Mr. Field the owner.
Mr. Field has now left Wash. D.C.
and his present address is #1001
St. Albans, West Bank, D.C.

Yours attention is respectfully
solicited and will advise
Very respectfully
J. W. Brown

Sept. 22-82
 Milan, Italy.
 Mr. E. Silvio
 Monsieur M. Borca
 Santa Barbara Cal.
 1508. 4365.
 ? 7999.

June 23rd 3.

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I am investigating the alleged loss of a Registered parcel mailed & addressed as above. The parcel in question reached New York City in due course of mail & was forwarded to Santa Barbara, Cal. as Reg. parcel # 7999. R.P.C. # 4365 where it was duly received - The addressee Monsieur M. Borca not being known at Santa Barbara Cal. & failing to call for the parcel it was returned to the sender in the latter part of Jan'y or early part of Feb'y - 83. In so doing the Santa Barbara Cal. post office through some carelessness failed to re-register said parcel but returned it as ordinary mail matter & hence if the parcel cannot be found somewhere the Santa Barbara Cal. office will be

Post Office at Santa Barbara Cal. failed to receive
parcel found the found somewhere the
ordinary mail matter and hence if the
lost parcel but returned it as
though some carelessness failed to keep
the Santa Barbara Cal. Post Office
of July or early part of July - On account
returned to the sender in the latter part
and failed to call for the parcel it was
not being known at Santa Barbara Cal.
received - The address was Mariano M. B. B.
7777. A. B. B. where it was duly re-
ceived to Santa Barbara Cal. as Reg. Parcel
City in due course of mail and was forward
The parcel in question reached through
Registered parcel. mailed & addressed as above
Have investigated the alleged loss of

Washington D.C.
Chief of Post Office
David A. Barber

June 2nd 3.

Post Office at Santa Barbara Cal.
Mariano M. B. B.
Mr. E. B. B.
Mariano, July.
Left 22-23

~~Error~~

2.

after you have made said statement please forward same to me as per the enclosed self addressed envelope (sent to you to save postage).

Thanking you for the assistance you have already rendered in this - matter I remain

Very respectfully
 Fred W. Charrante
 Inspector

~~Error~~

Case - St. Louis. Act.

Pm.

Virginia City. Tex.

6/23

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returned to

David B. Parker Esq.
 Chief of Police

Washington D.C.

With the information that
 whilst this letter is en-
 course - nevertheless the
 charges are true - which
 was found at a recent
 inspection of that office
 by Inspector M. L. Langley.
 There was a deficiency
 of over \$200000 (two hundred
 thousand) which is de-
 nedly chargeable to Mr.
 Wright. Jackson. But the
 sentence was not sufficient
 to warrant his arrest as
 convincing - He was at
 once discharged as there
 no longer connection with
 the O.G. Department.

maps

June 28th 3.

David, B. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Mr C. Rorer the topographer for
the P. O. Dept. sent to me the maps
which I requested under date of May
19th and they are all in book form
will answer the purpose as concerns
their use for Inspectors when traveling.
I would however like to have a set
of maps, for use of this office, to be
placed on patent rollers and would
respectfully ask that this office be
furnished with same.

Very respectfully

Inspector

Maps

James A. Smith

Chief, U.S. Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the maps of the Territory of Utah. I am sorry to hear that they are all in such poor shape, and will endeavor to purchase as many as possible for the Department. I have no doubt that this office will be able to furnish you with the same.

Very respectfully,
J. A. Smith

— Case of S. 6/11 - 4 W.

6/29

referred to
David B. Parker
Chief of Police
Washington
DC
for his information
and with the request
that the matter be
investigated at Boston
Mass. to ascertain
whether or not such
a letter was actually
mailed.

Wm. J. Sharpe

— Case 7 1/2 - 1/4

for his information
that the matter is
investigated at
Mass. to ascertain
whether or not
a letter was actually
mailed

Wm. W. L.

John W. L.

\$2.00
 (2-4)
 1868 - 1868
 " " - 70 - 4-00
 " " - 72
 1868 - 74
 1868 - 72

June 30th 3

David B. Parker Esq.
 Chief. P.O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Herewith enclosed please find \$2.00 which is the identical money that was found loose in the mail pouch from San Louis Obispo Cal. to Solidad - by O.G. Dodge Solidad & San Fran. Agent on May 30-83. - I have written to all the postoffices along that line and informed the postmasters that money had been found - asking them to make inquiries &c but as yet no claim for same has been made - I therefore sent it to you that it may be kept until such time when it can be properly disposed of.

Very respectfully

Inspector

June 30th 3.

David, B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:-

I would respectfully ask permission
to purchase a map-rack for the
Inspector's office at this place, the
cost of which not to exceed \$5.00

Very respectfully
Thos W. Sharpe
Inspector

—

June 20th

Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

I received respectfully and for
a purchase a map-book for the
Department office at the place, the
cost of which was to exceed \$5.00

Very respectfully
J. M. [Signature]

I have been favored with a letter
concerning the purchase of a map-book
and in reply to inform you that it
has been made and is now in the
hands of the printer and will be
ready for delivery in a few days.

July 1st 3

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

On June 23. I wrote you at the request of Mr W. E. Fifield late postmaster at Madison, California, respecting the payment of \$5⁰⁰ recovered in case 18874 A.

The draft has been at the Madison Cal. postoffice ever since last March but was sent to Mr Fifield here in the city, a few days ago.

Very respectfully

Inspector

July 1874

Chief of Police
Washington, D.C.

On June 22. I wrote you on the request
of Mr. W. B. Field late postmaster at
Washington, California respecting the pay
ment of \$5000000 in 1874 & 75.
The draft has been at the Treasury
also post office ever since last March
but was sent to Mr. Field here in the
city a few days ago.
Very respectfully
Chapman

380.^{ae}July 16th

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David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir -

Be pleased to find herewith enclosed \$2.⁰⁰
 in gold, which was found loose in the
 mail by the Clerk in the post office at
 Bieber, California on July 3-83.

Mr. M. Bieber the Postmaster was
 unable to state in what pouch the
 coin belonged as he had opened two or three
 pouches. The coin is respectfully forward-
 ed to you for proper disposition

Very respectfully

Inspector

105
 295-1-1

380.00

July 10th

Robert A. Barker
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

On account of fine summer weather
in which, which was found in the
mail by the clerk in the post office at
Baker, California on July 3-83.
Mr. A. Barker the postmaster was
unable to state in what branch the
envelopes as he had opened two or three
for him. The coin is respectfully forward-
ed to you for proper disposition
Very respectfully

Postmaster

100
100
100

San Francisco 7/15 3

David B. Parker

Chief of Inspectors

Washington D.C.

McLaughley left for St Louis
on Southern Pacific this
morning.

Schaute

Inspector

(Correct Look rate)

Am. Commerce 3

David A. Barber

Chief of Dept.

Washington D.C.

Mr. Langley left for St. Louis

our Southern Division

Admiral

Inspector

(Chief of Dept.)

26998^{"A"}
27707^{"A"}

cc \$700
\$200 - 0 - 0
\$500 - 0 - 0

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July 18th

David B. Parker Esq.
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:-

Herewith please find \$700 to be disposed
of in the following cases. viz:-

26998^{"A"} - In this case the money \$200 should
be paid to Mrs. J. Nichols the sender of the
parcel at San Jose, California (#1062) attach-
ed to R.P.C. #963 from San Jose, Cal 3/25/83
to Tombstone, A.T.

From the evidence adduced in the
above case said parcel was either lost
or stolen by some one in the Tombstone
A.T. postoffice & Mr. Fred. E. Brooks the
postmaster was required to make good
the loss

27707^{"A"} In this case the \$500 should be paid
to J.W. Logan the sender of Reg. letter #10
in Reg. Pckge. #10 from St Joseph, Mo., 6/14/83

\$100
\$500
\$200

\$100
\$500
\$200

July 18th

(A)

David D. Gordon
Chief D.D. Inspector
Washington D.C.

July 18th

Amount please find \$100 to be dispo-
sed of in the following manner. \$100 should
be paid to Mrs. J. Thomas the owner of the
parcel at San Jose, California (\$100) attach
ed to D.D. #100 from San Jose Cal 3/25/83
to San Jose, D.C.

From the evidence adduced in the
above case said parcel was rather lost
or stolen by some one in the San Jose
D.D. office and Mr. J. Thomas the
postmaster was required to make good
the loss

But this case the \$100 should be paid
to J.W. Thomas the owner of Reg. letter #10
in Reg. D.D. #10 from San Jose, Cal 3/25/83

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to San Francisco, Cal.

Mr. A. Baldwin the receiving Reg.
Clerk in the San Francisco, Cal., postoffice
was required to make good this loss for
having failed to do his duty.

The contents were gold coin (\$50)
which no doubt cut through the letter
and Pkgt. Envelopes and was stolen in trans-
it.

Very respectfully
Inspector

to have furnished, Dalt.
 Mr. T. Baldwin the receiving dep.
 Clerk in the Court of Sessions, Dalt., has
 now required to make good the loss for
 having failed to do his duty.
 The court were told that
 which was doubt out through the latter
 and Dalt. Counselor was taken in from
 sit.

Very respectfully
 O. J. Johnston

Case.
 11/2/83

Wrote again July 24th 83

July 20th 83

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Herewith please find form #570 which reports the alleged loss of Reg. letter #157 from San Bernardino, So. County, Cal. to New York City July 3-83. The letter in question was a Foreign letter addressed to O. J. Sessions, Orizaba, Vera Cruz, Mexico containing draft for \$50⁰⁰ sent by A. Diaz.

The postmaster at San Bernardino California informs me that the letter in question reached New York City & that he holds the proper acknowledgment from said office - hence if the letter is lost the loss must have occurred between New York & destination. I would respectfully ask that the matter be investigated & that the postmaster at San Bernardino Cal. be notified of result.

Very respectfully

Inspector

Recd. -
July 3rd

July 3rd

Thomas D. Barber Esq.
Chief of Inspectors
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir -
I have with pleasure filed for you #100 which
reports the alleged loss of Reg. letter #101
from San Bernardino, No. County, Cal.
to Newport City July 3-80 - the letter in
question was for foreign letter addressed
to O. J. Benson, Oregon, New York, Mexico
containing draft for \$500 sent by A. Tracy
The postmaster at San Bernardino
California informs me that the letter in
question reached Newport City and that he
has the proper acknowledgment from said
office - hence if the letter is lost the loss
must have occurred between Newport
and destination - I have respectfully and
that the matter be investigated and that
the postmaster at San Bernardino be notified
of result.
Very respectfully
Inspector

July 21 3

David B. Parker Esq
Chief Insp.

Sir: Please request Mr. Kear
not to send the Maps as described
in his letter of July 14. herewith
annexed. I need the Maps
of California and Nevada -
Oregon and Washington Terr
New Mexico and Arizona
Montana and Idaho
Wyoming & Colorado &
Utah. Mounted for Spring
rollers. and oblige

Yours respectfully
Edward Chaute
Insp.

David B. Porter Esq.
 July 21

Sir
 Please remember that I have
 not to send the maps as described
 in this letter of July 14. I have
 answered. I send the maps
 of California and Washington for
 your and Mexico and Arizona
 and Colorado. I have
 also mounted for you
 and other
 from respectfully
 O. J. Smith
 Esq.

Case
No. 10719-83
7/20-83.

Wrote again
10719-83
see letter
July 24th 3.

David B. Parker Esq.
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

On July 20th I sent to your office form # 1570 reporting the alleged loss of Registered letter # 157 Reg. Pckgs # 135 from San Bernardino, Cal. to New York City. July 3-83. I now enclose a letter from W. R. Porter the postmaster at San Bernardino, Cal. dated July 22-83, stating that the addressee of said Registered letter had never gone to Orizaba, Vera Cruz, & that the letter was not really lost - but is more than likely at said office.

Very respectfully

Inspector

Case
No. 100-20
10/19/19

July 22nd

Chief D. O. Schubert
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

On July 22nd I sent to your office for
100-20 reporting the alleged loss of Department
letter # 101 Dept. # 100-20 from the Bureau
China, dated to Shanghai July 22-23-24
now enclose a letter from W. D. Porter the
Postmaster at San Francisco, dated
dated July 22-23, stating that the address
of said registered letter had never gone to
Shanghai, Texas, and that the letter was
not really lost but is more than likely
at said office.

Very respectfully
D. Schubert

Kimball

July 25th 3.

David B. Parker Esq.
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully inform you that John A. Kimball who was arrested on May 22-83 for obtaining two Registered letters (as reported in Cases # 2992nd & 2993^d F.) was tried in the state courts in this city and convicted on July 11-83 and on July 21st was sentenced by Judge Doohy to be confined in the state's prison at San Quentin Cal. for Five years. He was tried in the state courts on charge of forgery which he perpetrated on a check for \$100⁰⁰ stolen out of a letter to the address of Mrs Sarah A. White, particulars of which I reported to you on May 31-83.

As it was very difficult for us to get the gentlemen who mailed the letters

Kimball

July 20th

David D. Parker Esq.
Chief D. C. Magistrate
Washington D. C.

Ans:

Enclosed respectfully inform you that
John C. Kimball who was arrested on
May 20th for obtaining two registered
letters (as reported in cases # 222 & 223)
was tried in the state court in this city
and convicted on July 11th and July 20th
was sentenced by Judge Parker to be con-
fined in the state prison at Annapolis
for two years. He was tried in the
state court on charges of forgery which
he perpetrated on a check for \$100.00 stolen
out of a letter to the address of Mrs Sarah
A. White, particulars of which I reported
to you on May 21st.

As it was very difficult for us
to get the gentleman who mailed the letter

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in the cases referred to (2992nd and 2993rd F.)
in order to convict Kimball under Sec.
#5469 R.S. we thought best to turn him
over to the state authorities.

Another indictment is pending
against him now in the state court
for perpetrating a forgery on a draft
which he stole out of one of the Reg.
letters in above cases. Also an indict-
ment in the U.S. Court for obtaining
two valuable letters fraudulently.

Very respectfully

Inspector

in the case referred to (pp 2 & 3) in order to secure a full and complete view of the facts and circumstances, and to enable the Court to decide upon the merits of the case.

Another indictment is pending against him now in the State Court for perjury or a draft which he is at present out of the State. Also an indictment in above cases. Also an indictment in the U. S. Court for obtaining two valuable letters from the State. Very respectfully

Respectfully

Foreign

2993 P
23643. A

2993 F

(\$6000)

July 31st. 3.

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Herewith please find \$6000 to pay
for losses in cases # 2993. F. & 23643. A.
In case # 2993 the \$6000 should be
paid to Mrs William Berrill San Francisco
California. The amount is in payment
of Reg. parcel (1st Class) # 1508 containing
jewelry. For full & additional particulars
see report in said case.

\$23643. A - The amt forwarded herewith are
in payment of the alleged value of the
loss reported lost in said case.

Very respectfully

Inspector

23043.0
D. 23043.0

Forced

(1000)

July 21st

Chief D. A. Carpenter
Washington, D.C.

The amount for the first \$1000 to pay
for taxes in case # 23043.0 and 23043.0
should be \$2000. The amount is in payment
of the parcel (1st class) # 1000 containing
additional parcels
in said case.
The cost forwarded herewith are
in payment of the alleged value of the
parcels lost in said case.
Very respectfully

Carpenter

"C"
Vol. x

August 11th 3.

David J. Parker Esq.
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir

Yours of Aug. 3rd respecting the arrest of
Charles H. Cushman has been received.

In reply I would state that
he has not yet been tried. The U. S. Dist.
atty. for Arizona, who was here recently
informed me that he thought he could
dispose of the case this fall.

I have no other case to report
Very respectfully

Inspector

10/10/18

August 11th

David D. Barber Esq.
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the case of the late John A. Smith. I have no objection to your using the facts of the case for the purpose of your report. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
John A. Smith

469.⁰⁰

Registered 8/14/83

August 13. 3.

David B. Parker Esq.
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

Herewith I respectfully return to you the papers concerning Ernst A. Eklundson, which you sent to me some time ago, with the information that I believe I have succeeded in putting a stop to his mailing any more letters like the enclosed. He is a man of about 52 years of age & is undoubtedly a lunatic. The threat of sending him to the insane asylum at St. Mary's had the wholesome effect of scaring him badly & he promises never again to mail letters not fully prepaid & I have good reasons to believe he will keep his promise.

Very respectfully
 Inspector

Received
8/14/83

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August 13.

Rev. A. A. Phelps
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours truly,
A. A. Phelps

Very respectfully,
A. A. Phelps

J. Kerr

August 18. 3

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:-

I have the honor to report that on July 20th 83. P. J. Corbett, U.S. Marshall for Nevada arrested J. P. Kerr in this City for violation of Section # 1252 Postal Laws & Regulations and took him to Virginia - where the crime was committed - where Kerr pleaded guilty before the U. S. Dist. Court on August 6-83 and was fined \$5000 - He was lodged in the County jail at Carson, Nevada until the fine is paid. I would here state that the offense was originally committed in 1881. when Kerr gave bail & left the state, his whereabouts being unknown until recently.

Very respectfully
Chas W. Bennett
Inspector

John

August 18

James D. Gordon Esq
 Chief of Police
 Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to report that on July 20th. P. A. Garrett, N. A. Marshall for Nevada arrested John in the City for violation of Section # 1552 Postal Laws & Regulations all took him to Virginia - where the same was committed - where they pleased quite before the U. S. Dist. Court on August 10-89 and was fined \$500 - He was lodged in the County Jail at Carson, Nevada until the fine is paid. Should be stated that the offense was originally committed in 1881 when they gave bail & left the state, his whereabouts being unknown until recently.

Very respectfully
 James D. Gordon
 Chief of Police

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(- 7 - 0 Ks.)

August 18- 3.

David, B. Parker Esq.
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

I herewith enclose to you the papers of an alleged loss of \$20⁰⁰ out of Reg. Pckge. Envel. #38 from Malheur Oregon. July 27/13 to San Francisco, Cal. I have carefully investigated this matter as far as possible in my District and am of the opinion that the loss did not occur in this Division, though I must say that the Postal Clerk, J. J. Ford, handling this Reg. Pckge #38 did not discharge his duty as he should have done. That facts in the case are as follows:

The Reg. Pckge #38 above referred to contained \$126⁰⁰ in gold and for some reason not known to me, it is claimed to have been cut open at Boise City Idaho by mistake, which office enclosed the

(No. 2. 1000)

August 18 - 3

David, D. Parker
Chief, D. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:
I have the pleasure to inform you that the papers
of an alleged loss of \$200 out of Dep. Dep.
Burl. #38 from March 1890. I have carefully
investigated this matter as far as possible
in my district and am of the opinion that
the loss did not occur in this division.
I must say that the Postal Clerk
of Post, handling the Dep. Dep. #38 did
not discharge his duty as he should have
done. That fact in the case is as follows:
The Dep. Dep. #38 above referred to
contained \$1000 in gold and for some
reason not known to me, it is claimed
to have been cut open at Great City Hall
by mistake, which office is located at

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Parker

original Reg. Pckgs. Envel. into a new one but did not strictly comply with Section #52 of the Postal Laws & Reg. 79. From Boise said Reg. Pckgs. went to Silver City, Idaho where it was placed in a Through pouch for Winnemucca Nevada. said pouch is not opened until it reaches Winnemucca.

The Reg. Pckgs. itself was folded & tied with a string & the postmaster at Winnemucca failed to endorse it either "good" or "bad" - but, together with 15 others pouches it to Postal Clerk D. J. Ford of the Ogden & San Fran. R.P.S. who receipted for same as "good" & in fact marked it so upon its face.

Mr Ford claims that he put said Reg. Pckgs. in his drawer until he arrived at San Francisco, where he placed it with others in a pouch & carried it to the postoffice. When he took them out of said pouch he found some loose coins, which, upon examination of the Pckgs. was supposed to belong the R.P.S. #38 in.

Porter

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originally Dep. Depts. Bureau. into a new
row but this was not strictly comply with
Section 852 of the Postal Laws Dep. 79.
Brown Davis said Dep. Depts. went to
Silver City, Idaho where it was placed
in a through pouch for Minneapolis
however. said pouch is not opened
until it reaches Minneapolis.

The Dep. Depts. itself was folded
and tied with a string and the postmaster
at Minneapolis failed to endorse it
either "good or bad" - but, together with
is other pouches it to Postal Clerk
B. J. Ford of the office of Gen. Brown. D.D.
who receipted for same as "good" and in
fact marked it so upon its face.

Mr Ford claims that he put
said Dep. Depts. in his drawer until
he arrived at San Francisco, where
he placed it with others in a pouch
and carried it to the post office. When
he took them out of said pouch he
found some loose coins, watches, and
a communication of the Depts. was sent
forward to the Dep. Depts. in

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Parks

whereupon he changed his endorsement on said R.P.C. and marked it "Bad" before receiving a receipt from the San Fran. Post Office. The money was counted and found to be \$106.00 instead of \$126.00 - being \$20.00 short.

The postmaster at Winnemucca, Nevada, claims that he found no coin on that day, or about that time and Mr Ford also makes a positive statement to that effect; hence Samata loses to know where the \$20.00 were taken and would respectfully ask that the case be investigated by the Insp^t for Idaho.

Very respectfully
 Edward J. Harbottle
 Inspector

Part 3

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Oct. 4th 1847

understand he changed his residence
now said Dr. T. was married in "Bach" Dr.
ford receiving a receipt from the Bank
from Post Office. The money was
accounted for found to be \$100.00 instead
of \$120.00 - being \$20.00 short.
The statement at this time
showed, again that he found no coin
on that day, or about that time
and that also makes a positive state-
ment to that effect; hence I am
able to know where the \$20.00 was
taken and would respectfully ask
the same be investigated by the Chief
of Police.

Very respectfully
Thos. M. Johnston
Inspector

Slacks Cañon. Cal.

Petition for Change of P.W.

720 - 3

referred to

David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington
D.C.

for his information

Black's Corner. Lake

Detention for change of T.M.

8 - 000

at corner

Richard D. Birch

Chief of Police

Washington

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for his information



386⁰⁰August 28th 3

David D. Parker Esq.
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

Herewith please find office case #386 referring to the loss of Reg. Pkge. Envelope #59 from Modesto, California May 9/83 to Norsham, Tenn, containing Registered letter #63 sent by J. M. Latimer to Mrs A. E. Latimer (contents \$50⁰⁰) which has been investigated as far as my District is concerned - in fact beyond my limits, and I find the loss to be a controversy between Postal Clerk John Gray of the Louisville and Nashville R.P.O. and the Postmaster at Andersonville, Tenn. - Mr Gray reports that he has referred the case to Sup't French and I respectfully forward these papers to go with the case.

Very respectfully
 J. W. Chen
 Inspector

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August 28th

Chief D. T. Dunbar
Washington D.C.

Enclosed please find office case #38
referring to the loss of Rep. George B. Burdette #27
from Hoboken, California May 1883 to New
York, New York, containing registered letter
#28 sent by J. M. Dunbar to New York.
Dunbar (Advocate #10) which has been
investigated as far as my district is con-
cerned - without success my friends and
I wish the loss to be a serious one between
Robert Clark John Gray of the Louisville
and Nashville R.R. Co. the Postmaster at
Louisville, Kentucky - Mr. Gray reports
that he has referred the case to his
friends and I respectfully forward them
papers in connection with the case.
Very respectfully
J. M. Dunbar
Postmaster

Case.

August 28. 3.

David, B. Parker Esq.
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:-

I would respectfully ask to be furnished with a copy of the report filed by P. O. Inspector Harvett in 1880 or 1881 concerning the alleged violation of Postal Laws & Regulations by Wells Fargo & Co's Express (San Francisco, Cal.) in carrying & receiving letters &c &c.

Very respectfully

Inspector

Case.

August 28

Wm. D. Barker Esq.
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Enclosed respectfully ask to be furnished
with a copy of the report filed by
Postmaster Wm. Barker in 1880 or 1881. I have
in the alleged violation of Postal Laws
and Regulations by Wm. Barker and his
(and his associates) in receiving and
transmitting to the

Very respectfully

Wm. Barker

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August 31 3

David B. Parker Esq.
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Herewith please find \$7.75 to be applied
 in payment of the following Registered
 Cases - Vize:

26937 "A". The money (\$1.00) in this case should
 be paid to B. F. Edwards, the sender,
 at Oroville, California

27598 "A". The money (\$5.00) in this case should
 be returned to the sender Loon Kee
 at Gas Point, California

28013 "A". The money (\$1.75) in this case
 should be returned to D. Blumenthal
& Co., the senders, at San Francisco, Cal

For full & additional partic-
 ulars please see reports in said cases.

Very respectfully

Inspector

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(A)

August 13

Wm. D. D. D. D. D.
Chief of U.S. Customs
Washington, D.C.

Enclosed please find 12 to be applied
in payment of the following registered
cases - viz:
1. W. D. D. D. D. - The money (100) in this case should
be paid to W. D. D. D. D. at his residence, the U.S. Custom
at Oroville, California
2. W. D. D. D. D. - The money (100) in this case should
be returned to the U.S. Custom at Oroville
3. W. D. D. D. D. - The money (100) in this case
should be returned to W. D. D. D. D. at his residence, the U.S. Custom
at Oroville, California
Very respectfully
Wm. D. D. D. D. D.

Pay accounts.

Sept 5th 3

David B. Parker Esq.
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington A.C.

Sir:-

I would respectfully ask that this office
be furnished with 200 Inspectors' Pay
accounts for the use of Inspectors in this
district.

Very respectfully
Inspector

Dear Sir,

Sept 20

Received of D. D. D. D. D.
 Chief of the
 Washington A. C.

I have received respectfully and that this office
 be furnished with the necessary
 accounts for the use of the
 Chief of the

Very respectfully

Secretary

25642C

recd. 9/5/83.
see 1799

Sept 6th 2

David. B. Parker Esq.
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:-

The enclosed letter is respectfully forwarded to you for file in case # 25642^C returned to your office Sept 3/83 - respecting service on route # 46263.

Very respectfully
 J. W. [unclear]
 Inspector

Received
of the
Treasury

Sept 20

Received of the
Treasury
for the
Office of the
Secretary of the
Treasury

The enclosed letter is respectfully
forwarded to you for file in case
returned to your office Sept 20 - 1862
during service on route # 4523

Very respectfully
O. J. Johnston

1181. ^{cc}

Sept. 6th

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David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir

I would respectfully report that the postoffice at Gerald, Eureka Co., Nevada was robbed on the night of August 15th to 16th 1883 by one F. Fray - who stole some \$200.00 worth of property - \$15.00 of which was in postage stamps. He was arrested under a state warrant on August 16-83 at Battle Mountain, Nevada by Thomas Stager the constable at said place. The property was recovered and the thief taken to Pahrade Nevada where he was examined before Justice of the Peace W. J. Marchant on Aug 16/83 and bonded over in the sum of \$500.00 to await the action of the Grand jury. I suggested to the postmaster to have him tried in the state court but am informed the state authorities are taking steps to turn the prisoner

1844

Sept. 1st

Chief of Police
Washington, D.C.

I have respectfully request that the
Postoffice at Annapolis, Annapolis Co., Maryland
be searched on the night of August 15th to 16th
by one F. Troy - who state some \$2000
amount of property - \$200 of which was in
property stolen. He was arrested under
a state warrant on August 15th at Battle
Mountain, Annapolis by James Hager the
constable at said place. The property
now recovered and the thief taken to Baltimore
it was where he was examined before
Justice of the Peace W. D. Marchant on Aug
16th and found over in the sum of \$2000
to remit the action of the Grand Jury
I suggested to the Postmaster to have
him tried in the Hall Court but am informed the
State authorities are taking steps to turn the prisoner

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over to the U.S. authorities for Nevada and
thus save the cost for prosecution.

I will follow the case up
and report further developments and re-
sult of trial

Very respectfully

Inspector

over to the U.S. authorities for the
 then over the cost for prosecution.
 I have forewarned the case up
 and report further. I have
 not of this

Very respectfully

Objection

May 28-83
Linden, Cal

J Green
P. D. Linn
Indianapolis, Ind

#49
\$4.00 (refiled) #47

28175 a

Sept 8th 3

David B. Parker Esq.
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Herewith please find \$4.00 recovered in the above described case which should be paid to P. D. Linn. Supreme Recorder, Order of Phoenix Friends, Indianapolis, Indiana, the addressee of Reg. letter #49 Reg. Pkgs #47 from Linden, Cal May 28-83 to Indianapolis, Indiana said to contain \$4.00 - but found to contain no money when received & opened at destination.

The amount was made good by Mr Green, the sender, as he was not positive whether or not he made the enclosure as claimed by him & he desires that it be disposed of as above.

I will retain the case for further investigation.

Very respectfully

Inspector

28172 C

(2400000)

May 28-80
Linden, Colo
J. Brown
P.O. Box
Linden, Colo
#47
#48
#49
(filled)

Sept 28

Chief D. O. Buckner
Washington D.C.

The amount of \$100.00 received in the
above described case which should be paid
to J. D. Brown. Inquire Director, Office of Brown
Brown, Lusk, Nebraska, the address
of J. D. Brown #47 Dep. Secy #47 from Lusk,
Colo. May 28-80 to Lusk, Nebraska, Lusk, Neb
to contain \$100.00 - but found to contain no money
when received and opened at destination.

The amount was made good by
Mr. Brown the sender as he was not present
whether or not he made the check as
shown by him to be seen that it is
from of an above.

I will retain the same for further

very respectfully

Respectfully

Investigation

Sept 8th

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David B. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

Please furnish this office with 200 blank
(forms) as the one herewith and oblige
very respectfully

Inspector

Sept 8 1864

Washington D.C.
Chief of the Bureau
of Land Office

Dear Sir:
Please furnish this office with so blank
forms as the above Bureau will require
very respectfully
O. B. Linn

341.00

Sept 8th

3.

David B. Parker Esq.
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

Under date of June 9-83 I referred to your office a letter from Frank A. Guines P.M. Grafton, Yolo County, California dated 6/7-83 and addressed to Col. H. J. McKusick Supt. P.M.S. reporting the robbery of his office on the night of June 6th to 7th -83 of 1813 in postage stamps and postal funds. As yet the case has not come to this office for investigation.

I am now pleased to report that three parties, supposed to be the greater part of the robbers, have been arrested and disposed of as follows: Viz.

Ben Howlett, John Hammon and Joe Parker by. arrested by R. S. Spaulding Deputy Sheriff (Yolo County) and Audy Thomas Constable of Grafton. Howlett and Hammon were

34.00

Sept 2^d

Washingtⁿ D.C.
Chief U.S. Marshal
Genl. D. Parker Esq.

Sir:

Under date of June 23-73 I referred to your
office a letter from Frank A. Jones Esq.
Shafter, Yolo County, California dated 6/20/73
and addressed to Col. H. H. Smith with request
that you report the robbery of his office
on the night of June 23-73 of \$1000
in postage stamps and postal funds. As yet
the case has not come to this office for
investigation.

I am now pleased to report that
three parties, supposed to be the greater
part of the robbers, have been arrested
and disposed of as follows: viz.
Ben Stewart, John Stewart and Joe Parker
by arrested by U.S. Marshal
Shafter (County) and Shafter (County)
of Shafter - Stewart and Johnson were

arrested on August 20th and Rackerby on the 26th - all near Grafton, Cal.

They were brought before Justice of the Peace - John S. Martin, at Grafton on Aug 30 - 83 and bound over to await action of the Grand Jury as follows:-

Howlett and Rackerby on three separate charges (\$500⁰⁰ each) were each bound over in the sum of \$500⁰⁰ to answer charges of Grand larceny in the state Courts.

Harmon turned states evidence and was held in the sum of \$250⁰⁰.

The ringleader of the gang, one MacFarlane is still at large.

Very respectfully,

Inspector

remitted our request to the Secretary on
the 22nd - All near Boston, Dated

They were brought before Justice
of the Peace - John F. Martin, at Boston
on Aug 22 - 23 and found over to commit
actions of the Grand Jury as follows:

Stout and Barker. On three separate
charges (Docket) under each found over
in the sum of \$500.00 to answer charges
of Grand Larceny in the State Court.
Stout turned state prisoner and

was held in the sum of \$500.00.
The wife brother of the gang, one
Worcester is still at large.

Very respectfully,
Chapman

860 P Austin Savage

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returned to
David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington
D.C.

With the information
that all papers in
the case and also the
missing letter were
sent to his office on
Sept 3/88 and have no
doubt been read
now this

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returned to
St. Louis, Mo. by
Chief O. D. Hughes
Washington
D. C.

With the information
that all papers in
the case are also the
incoming letter would
sent to his office and
left 2/20. We have no
doubt that will
be the



James
Boyle, Esq.
"Don"

Sept. 11th

General

Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir,
I am informed that James Boyle
Boyle, two were captured in the Boyle
Boyle prison for life for robbing the
mail between Boyle Boyle Boyle
about July 31/81, have been told that
they would like to make good their
escape from said prison. I am also
informed that said prison is not at all
safe place to keep such dangerous
men as the above. I would therefore
strongly recommend - provided the
Department of Justice are prepared to
agree - that they be transferred to
some other prison. I am sure
their escape would be at all

Yours faithfully
Inspector

Los Angeles Feb 10th 3

Dr. Wm. A. Fowler
Care of Dr. L. A. Decker
Los Angeles
Calif

While at Bodie, in March
I contracted a severe cold which
spread to my lungs, producing
bronchitis. After several weeks
of recovery, but my asthma
was not cured. I bought some
of the best cough syrups with renewed
expectations to cure it. I
am sorry to say, have been badly disappointed.
I am constrained to repeat
that a course of abstinence from
the use of wine, which I had
been taking for the cure of my
cough, did not produce the desired
result. I am only four days
from the city of Los Angeles.

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text in cursive script, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]

Frederick M. Langley

9/10

referred to
David P. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington DC

with the recommendation
that Inspector Mc
Langley's request be
granted - and that the
Department extend
the time to 30 days
should his health
not improve during
the time he asks.

Frederick M. Thompson

1844
Presented to
Hon. J. D. B. [unclear]
Chief of the [unclear]
Washington

with the [unclear]
that [unclear]
[unclear] report by
[unclear] and that the
[unclear] returned
the time to his [unclear]
should be [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear]
the time to [unclear]

127312 'B'
 26659 'A'
 26660 'A'
 26973 'A'
 - 7/31-83.

Claim of H.V. Wood, P.M. Ft Thomas Ariz
 for \$3 23

Sept. 12th 3

David, B. Parker Esq
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully recommend that the enclosed claim of H.V. Wood, postmaster at Fort Thomas, Arizona - for \$3 23 be allowed - as the telegrams were actually sent and two of them received by me.

I would here state that the mail en route #39152 (Lordsburg St. Mex to Elifton, A.T.) was lost in San Francisco river on March 4/83 and was recovered by H.V. Wood, P.M. on May 6/83 - see report of Cases # 127312 B and 26659 A, # 26660 A and # 26973 A - all returned to your office July 3-83 - Said mail contained three registered letters - containing over \$3000 in currency which made the matter of great importance to war and telegraph
 Very respectfully
 Inspector

claim of H.V. Wood. Mrs. J. H. Wood
for \$2.00

127312 B
20000 B
20000 B
20000 B
20000 B
20000 B

Sept. 12th

Chief of Police
Washington, D.C.

Enclosed respectfully recommended that
the enclosed claim of H.V. Wood, footman
at Port Thomas, Oregon - for \$2.00 be al-
lowed - as the telegram was actually
sent and two of them received by me.
Enclosed hereto state that the

mail on route Sept 12 (Portland to St. Marys)
to Elgin (St. B.) was lost in San Francisco
since on March 11/89 and was recovered
at St. Marys. Mrs. on May 6/89 - the report
of loss # 127312 B and 20000 B
and # 20000 B - all returned to your office
July 21-89 - said mail contained three
registered letters - containing over \$2000 in
money which made the matter of
importance to your office.

4013
4015
4018
4024
4025
4049
4055

P. I.

Duty Col
\$1.25
\$2.50

Sept 13th 3

David B. Parker Esq.
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Be pleased to find herewith enclosed \$1.75
that bring the amount of duty collected
for foreign books sent as reported in cases
(Ordinary Foreign) as follows viz

#4013 F = 25¢ #4015 F = 10¢ #4018 F = 75¢
#4024 F = 10¢ #4025 F = 15¢ #4049 F = 25¢
#4055 F = 15¢ - Total \$1.75

Above cases were returned to
your office with reports this day.

Very respectfully
David B. Parker
Inspector

July 1861
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Sept 13th

James D. Buchanan
Chief of Dept.
Washington D.C.

It pleased to find herewith enclosed
that being the amount of duty collected
for foreign books sent as reflected in our
(ordinary foreign) as follows:
\$100.00 - \$100.00 = \$0.00
\$100.00 - \$100.00 = \$0.00
\$100.00 - \$100.00 = \$0.00
Total \$0.00

Books were returned to
our office with this day
Very respectfully
James D. Buchanan
Department

401117 } Routes Correction
401114 }

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referred to
David D. Parker Esq
Chief P. T. Inspector
Washington
D.C.

With the request that
the attached letter
from Inspector Dulon
be forwarded to the
Postmaster for the
Post Office Dept for
his information

110115
110114 } Route
Correction

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referred to
A. A. D. D. D. D.
Chief of the
Washington

With the request that
the attached letter
from Inspector
be forwarded to the
proper authorities for
their consideration

San Francisco, September 2, '3.

Col. J. W. Schaute,
I. O. Inspector,

Sir:

I think the Department Topographer must find it difficult to get correct information concerning the exact location of mail routes to many of the small places, and will be glad to receive any corrections to his route map. For this reason I forward a rough diagram of routes ^{no} 40.111 and ^{no} 40.114 Jackson to American Flag, and Jackson to Riverside. It will be seen that both routes pass over the same road for fifteen miles, consequently Oracle and American Flag are fifteen to twenty miles nearer to Mariposa than they are represented to be on the route map. Canada del Oro is not on the route, as ~~now run~~ from Jackson to Riverside.

Route No. 46263 - Mariposa to Hites Cove - as recently extended from Hites Cove to Yosemite, is 22 miles long instead of 15, as given on the route map, and it runs most of the way north of the Merced, instead of south, as given on

San Francisco, September 2, 1853.

Rev. J. W. Schoute,
J. O. Baker.

Sir:

I think the Department of Topography must find it difficult to get correct information concerning the exact location of these routes to many of the small places, and will be glad to receive any correction to his route book. For this reason I forward a rough diagram of route No. 111 and No. 114 from Jackson to American Fork, and across to Riverside. It will be seen that both routes pass over the same road for fifteen miles, consequently make an American Gap one fifteen to twenty miles nearer to Minneapolis than they are represented to be in the route book. Canada Lake is not on the route, as was seen from Jackson to Riverside.

Route No. 113 - Minneapolis to Little Cove - as recently extended from Little Cove to Fortunate, is 23 miles long instead of 15, as given in the route book, and it runs west of the new route of the Minnesota instead of south, as given in

the Map. Hites Cove is located on the Map too near the junction of the South fork and the Main river, because the route runs nearly two miles to the top of the Mountain and then a little more than two miles down the other side before it reaches the Merced. Of course the route keeps bearing to the right as it goes out of Hites Cove.

When it reaches the river four miles from Hites Cove it runs along the South bank to Hennessey's Bridge. Seven miles from the Cove, then crosses and runs seven miles on the North bank to the Coulterville road, eight miles below the P.O. The Coulterville road keeps near the river, on the North bank, and crosses four miles below the P.O., there are also two or three other crossings higher up. Yosemite P.O. and the hotels are all on the South bank of the Merced, instead of the North bank, as represented.

Very respectfully;

J. O. Bulver,
Inspector.

The Map. After Cave is located on the Map
too near the junction of the South Fork
and the Main river, because the route
was nearly two miles to the top of the
Mountain and then a little more
than two miles down the other side
before it reached the River. Of course
the route keeps bearing to the right as it
goes out of this cave.

When it reaches the river from below
from this cave it runs along the South bank
to Harpers Bridge, seven miles from the
cave, then crosses and runs seven miles
on the North bank to the Coltonville road,
eight miles, below the R.R. The Coltonville
road keeps near the river, on the North
bank, and crosses four miles below the
R.R., there are also two or three other crossings
higher up. From the R.R. and the bridge
are all on the South bank of the River,
instead of the North bank, as represented.

Very respectfully,
J. O. Johnson
Inspector

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Sept 13th 3

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D C.

Sir:

Referring to the alleged rifling of Registered letter #8. Reg. Pkgs #8 from Alviso California April 18/83 to Pueblo de Indes State of Durango Mexico (El Paso, Texas exchange office). John W. Karr sender John Karr, addressee - Contents \$60.00, which I reported to your office on July 2/83 I would respectfully ask to be informed if a case has been made up. If so and same was sent to some other Inspector please instruct me what disposition I shall make of the papers I have bearing on the matter.

Very respectfully
 J. W. Chamberlain
 Inspector

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Sept 1st

Chief of the Bureau
Washington D.C.

Referring to the alleged rising of Regis-
tered letter # 8. Reg. Dept # 8 from China
Colombiana April 18/23 to Pueblo de los
Hatos de Amurgo, Mexico (El Paso, Texas
exchange office). John W. W. W. W. W.
John W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W.
which is reported to your office on July
2/23. Should respectfully ask if
informed if a case has been made up
off as the case now sent to some other
department for our interest and what dis-
position should be made of the papers
now being in the hands of the

Very respectfully
J. W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W. W.

26000 a
 May 7/31/83
 rec'd 2/2/83

Sept 19th 3

David, B. Parker Esq
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed papers are respectfully re-
 turned to you with the information that
 the \$2000 recovered in case #26000 'a', by
 me, were sent to the Department on March
 3/83 and Messrs Lung Sing^{and} Co the parties
 addressed in the case referred to inform
 me that on, or about, April 25/83 they
 received through the postmaster at San
 Francisco, Cal a check for \$2000 from the
 P. O. Dept. on account of the loss of \$2000
 from Reg. letter #44 from Sealand, Oregon
 dated 23/83 to them at San Francisco, Cal.

Lung Sing^{and} Co. further state that
 they sold said check to a broker by the
 name of Shephard.

I would here state that
 while the \$2000 were sent to your office

2000
on 1/10
and 2/10

Sept 19th

David, D. Parker Esq
Chief D. C. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed papers are respectfully re-
turned to you with the information that
the \$2000 recovered in case # 2000-01, by
your report sent to the Department on March
27th and Messrs. J. and J. of the parties
admitted in the case referred to inform
me that now, or about April 25th they
received through the postmaster at San
Francisco, Cal. a check for \$200 from the
Dept. an account of the loan of \$200
from Dept. letter # 44 from Ireland, Oregon
being sent to them at San Francisco, Cal.
They will also check to a broker by the
name of Shepherd.
I should be state that
while the \$200 were sent to your office

26000 M.

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on March 3/83. I retained the case for further investigation until July 31/83 when it was returned with report calling attention to my letter enclosing ~~2000~~ of March 3/83.

The Department is evidently in error about this case & I would respectfully ask to be informed whether or not the mistake is with this office.

Very respectfully

Inspector

20000-01

on March 27th - I returned the case
for further investigation until July
21/83 when it was returned with
report calling attention to my letter
enclosing copy of March 27th.
The report is in evidence.
By in error about this case I would
professingly ask to be informed what
is or that the mistake is with this
office.

Very respectfully
O. J. ...

5/6.00

Sept 25th

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David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington DC

Sir:

Herewith I respectfully submit the
 claims of Wm. A. M. Cornick, J. P. McCorkle
 W. E. Bancroft, J. O. Randall and Richard
 Cagwood for reward for the arrest and sub-
 sequent conviction of Wm. Coleman, Arthur
 Craymond and Alfred Briggs for an attempt
 to rob the U.S. mail on Feby 19-83 on
 route #39152.

The claim was investigated by
 Inspector Tracy whose report is herewith
 enclosed and who recommends that it
 be allowed.

Very respectfully

Inspector

216.00

Left 23rd

Received of A. Barker Esq
Chief of Police
Washington DC

Received of Mr. A. Barker Esq
Chief of Police
Washington DC
for removal of the monument
of Mr. Robert A. Taft
from the grounds of the
Department of Justice
to the site of the new
Department of Justice
building on 14th St NW
on July 19-20-21

The above was investigated by
Inspector Tracy and report is herewith
submitted and also recommended that it
be allowed.

Very respectfully
Inspector

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Clifton N. H. Sept 17th 3

Sir

I have the honor to return herewith the
papers in Special Office case No 516 -

Claim of Mrs B. M. Cornish, J. T. McKorkle
W. E. Bancroft, J. R. Randall and Richard
Caywood for reward for the arrest and
subsequent conviction of Mr. Coleman
Arthur Grayson and Alfred Riggs for
an attempt to rob the United States Mail
on Route No 87152 Leedsburg, W. Va.
at Clifton N. H. on the 17th day of February
1883. with the following report -

Upon investigation I find the following
to be about the facts in the case -

On the 16th day of February last the three
persons last above named attacked the
stage while en route from Leedsburg and
at a distance of about twenty three miles
from Clifton N. H. The stage was in charge
of one Deparment driver - The coach car -

210 Q.

Sept 17

Dear Sir
I have the honor to receive the letter of the
17th inst. in relation to the
business of the office, and in reply
to inform you that the same has been
forwarded to the proper authorities
for their consideration. I am, Sir,
very respectfully,
Yours, &c.

turned over the passenger - the robbers took from
 the passenger about \$40 in coin & his watch
 & keys &c but made no attempt to interfere with
 the mail - The same night and at about the
 same locality, the same parties stopped the
 stage while enroute from Clifton to
 Lordsburg and took from the possession of
 the driver one Geo. Wyckoff three of the horses
 belonging to the stage Co but did not disturb
 the mail nor did they obtain any other booty
 A few days thereafter the same parties mounted
 on the stolen horses rode up to the stage coach
 enroute from Lordsburg N. M. to Silver City
 N. M. and inquired of the driver whether he
 had any thing of value on his coach and
 on receiving a reply in the negative they
 inquired for the mail pouches and upon
 being informed that the mail was not
 carried over that road they rode away -
 On the 17th of Feb^y last the same parties
 stopped the coach enroute from Lordsburg
 N. M. to Clifton N. M. at or near the same
 point where they stopped the coach on the
 1st day of Feb^y - The robbers made no attempt
 to take the mail and did not obtain any thing.

The first of these is the fact that the
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of value - the proprietor of the stage line
 having been advised that the robbers were
 on the road sent a guard on the coach from
 Clifton to Lordsburg and on the same night
 (Feb. 19th) the robbers attempted to stop
 the coach - the guard fired upon them
 the robbers returned the fire - no person
 was hit but the robbers were repulsed -
 the proprietor of the stage line supplied a
 large party with horses, guns & ammunition
 and started them in different directions
 in pursuit of the robbers and within a
 short time thereafter they were captured by
 McCornick's party - The jail at the County
 Seat of Graham County being deemed insecure
 the robbers were delivered into the custody of
 the U. S. Marshal - and by him taken to Tucson
 A. D. where they were indicted by the U. S.
 Grand Jury principally upon the testimony
 of the driver with an attempt to stop the U.
 S. Mail en route Section 573 U. S. Statutes
 of the prisoners notified the driver that it
 was not safe for him to remain in Arizona
 and he left the Territory - Subsequently
 Alfred P. [unclear] one of the prisoners turned

[illegible]

States evidence and in his confession
 stated that having obtained such a
 small amount of treasure in their
 previous efforts they intended to rob
 the mail if they had been successful in
 their last attempt. The three prisoners
 plead guilty, & the indictment and were
 sentenced - Coleman & Grayson to five
 years imprisonment each and Biggs
 to two and one half years at Detroit Mich.
 In my opinion the parties who made the
 arrest are entitled to receive the reward
 offered by the Government for the arrest
 and conviction of parties who rob or
 attempt to rob the U. S. Mail.

Very Respectfully
 Chas. H. Tracy
 P. O. Inspector

To
 Col. G. W. Schenck
 P. O. Inspector
 San Francisco
 Cal

It is a matter of course that the
Government should be informed of
the progress of the work done
by the various departments of the
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Wm. O. Johnson
J. O. Johnson
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5/6^{ce} affidavit of ^{Mr & Mrs} ~~Commit~~
 Harris E. Bancroft and John P.
 McCorkle.

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referred to
 David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington, DC
 With the request that
 these papers be filed
 with papers forwarded
 to Department on Sept.
 25th 83 relative to attempt-
 ed stage robbery on
 route # 39152 from
 Lordsburg, New Mexico
 to Clifton Arizona on
 Feb'y 19/83.



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October 1st 3

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:

On Sept 25th last I submitted to you the claims of Wm A McCormick, J. D. McCookle, W. E. Bancroft, J. D. Randall and Richard Caywood for a reward for the arrest of Wm Coleman, Arthur Raymond and Alfred Biggs, who attempted to rob the mail on Feb'y 19/83 on route # 29152 from Clifton, N. D. to Lordsburg New Mex.

Today I have received the enclosed letter from Major R. S. Tidball, U.S. Marshal for Arizona in which he states that the real captors of the above prisoners are James Reynolds, Wm A McCormick, John F. McCookle, R. W. Caywood & Geo Bancroft.

From this it would appear that Mr J. D. Randall & W. E. Bancroft have no

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October 1st

Washingt D.C.
Chief of U.S. Department
of War

Sir:

Our left and last submitted to you
the claims of the U.S. Government
for the U.S. Government of the U.S. Government
Richard D. Baggott for a reward for the
arrest of John D. Baggott, Captain D. Baggott
and Alfred Baggott, who attempted to rob
the mail on July 19/83 on route # 2152
from El Paso, N.M. to Fort Worth, Tex.
Today I have received the enclosed
letter from Major J. L. Baggott, U.S. Marshal
for Arizona in which he states that the
real captives of the above prisoners are
James D. Baggott, U.S. Marshal, John
D. Baggott, U.S. Marshal, and the U.S. Marshal
from whom it should appear that
Mr. J. L. Baggott, U.S. Marshal, have no

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valid claim to the reward but that
the names of George Bancroft and James
Reynolds are substituted in their place
very respectfully

Inspector

which claim to the removal but that
 the names of George Bancroft and James
 Reynolds are substituted in their place
 very respectfully
 Charles

Case
No 201.

Oct. 4th

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David B. Parker Esq
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Herewith I enclose to you a letter from the postmaster at San Francisco, dated Oct 3/83 together with one from George S. Branden Vice Pres., Bank of Nevada, San Francisco, Cal. dated Oct 1/83 reporting the loss of letters to Florillard & Co Jersey City, N.J. - I have investigated the matter at this end of the line and have every reason to believe that same left San Francisco and I would respectfully ask that this case be looked into at the Eastern end of the line - I have a number of complaints of letters to Jersey City, and Inspector Daybolt informs me that he also has 2 or 3 very recent losses.

Very respectfully
Inspector

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Oct 4

Washington D.C.
Chief of O. Branch
David A. Barker Esq

Dear Sir:
I have with pleasure to your letter from
the postmaster at San Francisco dated
Oct 28 together with one from George
I. Anderson Vice Pres. Bank of Nevada.
San Francisco, also dated Oct 1/83 repeat-
ing the loss of letters to Stornellard &
Company City of S.F. - I have investigated
the matter at the end of the line and have
every reason to believe that some left
San Francisco and I would respectfully
ask that this case be looked into at
the Eastern end of the line - I have a
number of counterparts of letters to Jany
and Professor Day but unfortunately
the case has been over-looked.
Very respectfully
O. Branch

Oct 8th

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David A. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In connection with my report of this day respecting the arrest of Wm. L. G. I also state that while searching the different carriers at Station A I found in the hip pockets of Boyce at Killilea - a carrier appointed Aug. 1882 some 12 circulars and a postal card which he had kept since Oct 5th 6th 1883. I also arrested him - but upon consultation with Judge Hilborne the District Atty. at this place. finding the evidence insufficient I did not bring him before U.S. Commissioner Sawyer.

Killilea has been suspected for dish. duty for some time.

I was informed by Mr. G.

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Oct 2nd

Washington, D.C.
Chief, U.S. Quartermaster
General, D. D. Bennett

Dear Sir:

In connection with my report of the day respecting the arrest of Mr. J. J. Jones I should state that while searching the different carriers at Station # 2 I found in the safe packets of Dr. J. J. Miller - a carrier of printed paper, some 12 envelopes and a packet card which he had kept since Oct 5th 1882. He has corrected him but upon consultation with Judge Tibbels the District Attorney please find the evidence in sufficient to send him to prison for some time. Tibbels has been very kind for best result for some time. I have informed by Judge

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 H. Gilbourne that the Statutes do not
 cover postal cards and circulars - hence
 he could not hold him under section
 #3891 R.D.

Very respectfully
 Chas. J. Chalmers
 Inspector

I believe that the Ottoburne
 over footed over and circular -
 he could not have been under
 1891 D. D.

Very respectfully
 Thos. J. Abbott
 Quaker

Oct. 8th

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that I arrested this morning ^{at} L. Turner - a letter carrier at Station "A" San Francisco, Cal. - appointed Jan'y 1-83 - for stealing ^{and} detaining ordinary letters ^{and} small boxes containing money, ^{and} packages, containing dry goods &c. - He has been suspected for some time ^{and} I know of a number of letters ^{and} small parcels which he stole, ^{and} found a box ^{and} several letters on his person - also some of the money taken out of a former delivery. He was this morning brought before U.S. Court Sawyer - ^{and} bound over in the sum of \$1000.00, which I think he will furnish. Further proceedings will be reported.

Respectfully

June 10 82
 Pamela A.S.
 C.D. Cole
 Ed Hicks
 Socorro N.M.
 76² 64
 #62³⁵ rifled of \$60.

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Oct 10 3

David B. Parker Esq
 Chief Insp.

Sir
 It is pleased to find
 herewith sixty dollars, collected
 from F. R. Stellis late post. at
 Pamela A.S. in payment of
 amount alleged to have been
 stolen from registered letter #76
 R.P.E. #64 from Pamela A.S. to
 Socorro N.M. June 10 82. Mailed
 by C.D. Cole to Ed Hicks.

Case 27001, "A".

I will return the case at an
 early day and ascertain, if possible,
 the whereabouts of Messrs Cole and
 Hicks.

Yours,

Yours respectfully
 Fred Schoute
 Inspr.

Turner

Oct 11th

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David B. Parker Esq
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully inform you that the case of William, L^r Turner, Letter Carrier Station "A", San Francisco, Cal^a whom I arrested on the 8th inst., was disposed of in the U. S. Court at this place yesterday (Oct 10/83) by Turner pleading guilty to section #3891 R.S. ^{and} receiving a sentence of one year in the San Francisco County Jail ^{and} to pay a fine of \$50⁰⁰. I would here state that Turner was arrested under section #5467 R.S. - but owing to his aged ^{and} widowed mother he was allowed to plead guilty under section #3891 so as to save the family the disgrace of having their son in the penitentiary.

Turner

Oct 11th

David A. Parker Esq
Chief U.S. District
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have respectfully inform you that
the case of William, A. Turner, latter
known Station at, "The" Turner, Dala
under I arrested on the 24th inst, was
disposed of in the U.S. Court at this
place yesterday (Oct 10/83) by Turner
pleading guilty to Section #381 U.S.C.
receiving a sentence of one year in
the hard labor and County Jail and to
pay a fine of \$500. I would here state
that Turner was arrested under
Section #381 U.S.C. but owing to his
age and weakness another he was allowed
to plead guilty under Section #381
as to the family the disposal
of having their son in the penitentiary

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I would here say that Turue had
access to all letters and packages
coming in and going out of Station
"A" and in fact made it a point to
take mail matter not properly be-
longing to him for delivery.

very respectfully

Inspector

I would be very glad to see you
 again to all letters and packages
 coming in and going out of Boston
 to the fact make it a point to
 take mail matter not properly be-
 longing to him for delivery.
 Very respectfully

Oct 16th/83

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Received of Fred. W. Schawitz, Post office
Inspector, San Francisco, Cal - the follow-
ing articles belonging to the Inspector's
office at San Francisco, California viz
Three writing desks.

One case file ^{and} stand.

One Letter press ^{and} stand.

One Table.

One sofa.

One stand for blanks &c.

Three Desk Chairs.

Seven Ordinary Chairs.

One map rack ^{and} maps.

Three scale testers.

maps for use of Inspectors in Book
form as follows:

Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Idaho,

Montana, Wyoming, Oregon

Washington, California ^{and} Nevada

maps ready to place on rollers
all corrected up to July 1-83.

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Received of Fred W. Schmitt Post office
 Inspector, San Francisco, Cal. - the follow-
 ing articles belonging to the Inspector's
 office at San Francisco, California: viz

Three visiting desks.
 One case file and stand.
 One letter press and stand.
 One table.

One safe.
 One stand for blanks &c.
 Three desk chairs.

Green Ordinary chairs.
 One map-board and map.
 Three scale tapes.

Made for use of Inspector in book
 form as follows:

Utah, Oregon, New Mexico, Idaho,
 Montana, Wyoming, Oregon
 Washington, California and Nevada

Made ready to place on rollers
 all convenient up to July 1-83.

Receipt for office ² out-fit

Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Louisiana
 Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware
 Maryland, Ohio, Indiana, Maine
 Kentucky, Tennessee, New Hampshire
 Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island
 Connecticut, Mississippi, Alabama
 South Carolina, Georgia, Michigan
 Wisconsin, Minnesota, Florida,
 New York and Dakota.

B. T. Inspector

Receipt for office to out fit

Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin,
 Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri,
 Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi,
 Alabama, Georgia, Florida,
 South Carolina, North Carolina,
 Virginia, West Virginia,
 Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania,
 New Jersey, New York, Connecticut,
 Rhode Island, Massachusetts,
 Vermont, New Hampshire,
 Maine, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia,
 Prince Edward Island, New
 foundland.

Received of F.W. Dehaute, Post-Office Inspector, San Francisco, Cal., the following enumerated "S" and "B" cases - 5/1/11

"S" Cases	"E" Cases	"B" Cases					
			74879	91565	101860	116298	121558
			77002	92828	103805	117231	121560
28532	14145	65515	77004	92856	103831	117263	121561
28533	16292	65576	77445	94136	106068	117291	121996
28440	22532	66911	77502	94765	106541	117306	121999
	23270	67405	78997	94784	107186	117322	122324
	25824	67406	81551	94860	107843	117571	122329
	25825	67407	83728	95187	108300	118280	122750
	25829	67466	82911	95188	108302	118283	123552
	26056	67476	85222	95284	110404	118284	123742
	26140	67489	85338	96888	110498	118771	123743
	26261	67529	87835	97054	110985	119109	123744
	26403	67829	88177	97065	111447	119110	124026
		69673	89155	100086	112571	120342	124373
		71444	89345	100280 1/2	112632	120611	124378
		71447	90858	100281	112871	120933	124395
		71883	91202	100829	114610	120935	124910
		74685	91564	101147	115966	121343	125590

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List of B cases received from Inspector Schanley
Continued

125597	131653	135416	137244	138911	141112	142921	144408
126026	131654	135417	137245	139039	141113	142969	144409
126541	132165	135440	137246	139199	141300	142986	144453
126542	132552	135441	137293	139221	141334	143056	144486
127136	132679	135445	137521	139639	141818	143116	144767
127218	133210	135446	137752	139685	141898	143117	
12759	133211	136370	137977	139870	142007	143307	
128146	133346	136371	137978	139913	142008	143315	
128411	133411	136383	137980	139928	142168	143570	
128595	133447	136703	137981	139935	142169	143571	
128679	133471	136811	137982	139936	142217	143614	
128997	133799	136812	138100	139938	142291	143638	
129075	133967	136813	138469	139939	142292	143672	
129276	133968	136814	138509	139986	142293	143781	
129984	134142	136815	138510	140166	142876	143782	
129995	134176	136816	138512	140227	142819	143833	
130155	134269	136818	138735	140373	142854	144077	
131173	134856	137046	138857	140535	142917	144100	
131651	134857	137222	138901	140536	142918	144248	
131652	135183	137225	138906	140539	142917	144406	
131652 ^{1/2}	135200	137239	138908	141105	142920	144407	

Mr. L. Doyle
1200-1200

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Dated
List of Books received from Gustavus Schomaker

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Recd. (7 to 10) 2. 1.
 1. 9/29.
 2. 11/10

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referred to
 Col. A. G. Tharsh
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington
 D.C.

For reference to the Hon.
 First Asst. P. M. General.

In my judgment
 the office at Leeds should
 not be reestablished
 as it is located but a
 short distance from
 Silver Creek, Utah and that
 office affords all the
 facilities necessary
 for the profile.

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Oct. 16th 3

Capt. A. S. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully report that I have just received a telegram from the P.M. Mr Littlefield - at Ogden, Utah, informing me that his post-office was burglarized last night. He reports the vault as un entered and no mail lost.

Very respectfully

Inspector

Oct 11

Oct. 10

Dr. A. B. Clark
 Chief of the
 Washington D.C.

I would respectfully report that I have
 just received a telegram from the D.M.
 Mr. Littlefield - at Ogden, Utah, informing
 me that his post-office was burglarized
 last night. The report is true. As you
 understand we would look.

Very respectfully

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Oct. 16th 3

Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir;

I have this day receipted to Inspector F. W. Schantz, for all cases, books ^{and} papers, ^{or} belonging to the office of P. O. Inspectors here, in accordance with the instructions of letter from Chief P. O. Inspector Parker dated Sept. 21/83.

I have also requested Inspector Simpson, at Portland Oregon, to bring all cases, now in his charge, here so that I may familiarize with the work in that territory.

Very respectfully

Inspector

Oct. 10th 3

Chief D. T. Brewster
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:
I have this day verified to Brewster
F. W. Schantz, for all cases, books and
papers belonging to the office of D. T. Brewster
here, in accordance with the
instructions of letter from Chief D. T.
Brewster dated Sept. 21/83.
I have also requested Brewster
for his papers, at Portland Oregon, to
bring all cases, now in his charge, here
as they may furnish with the
work in that territory.
Very respectfully
Brewster

Office room

Oct. 17th 3

Capt. A. L. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The number of men attached to this District makes necessary more office room than we now have.

All the space for desks &c. that is now available is in the front room which is only 14 feet square.

There are now in this room four desks ^{and} as at least two more will be necessary, I do not see how we can get along without more room. The small room adjoining this one can only be used for storage purposes as it has no light.

I can get two rooms in same building, both well lighted, size 14 x 16 & 12 x 22, corner suite, for the sum of \$40⁰⁰ per month, but as the allowance is only \$25⁰⁰ I would respectfully ask an increased

Office room

Oct. 1, 1862

Genl. A. S. Clark
Chief of Engineers
Washington, D.C.

The number of men attached to this division
which makes necessary more office room
than we now have.

All the space for desks is that in
room available in the front room which
is only 14 feet square.

There are now in this room four
desks and at least two more will be used
very, but not so far as we can get along
without more room. The small room at
joining this one can only be used for storage
purposes as it has no light.

I can get two rooms in same
building, both well lighted, size 14 x 16 &
12 x 20, covered with, for the sum of \$400
per month, but as the allowance is only
\$250 I would respectfully ask an increase
of \$150

allowance for the purpose of securing enlarged quarters.

You are perfectly familiar with the rooms now occupied and, I think, will agree with me, that they are entirely inadequate to the wants of this District. I have got to have more desk rooms for the Inspectors. The rooms cornering on Sacramento and Sansome Streets, on same floor as present office are first class, well lighted and will make quarters sufficient for the needs of all the men.

I would therefore respectfully ask that an additional allowance of \$500 per month be granted for rent of rooms for office purposes.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Lybourn
Inspector

allowance for the purchase of necessary
largest apartment.
You are perfectly familiar with
the rooms now occupied and I think
will agree with me that they are in
truly inadequate to the wants of this
District. I have got to have more desks
room for the Inspector. The rooms on
rising on the second and third
now some floor on present office are first
class, well lighted and will make apartment
sufficient for the needs of all the men.
I would therefore respectfully ask
that an additional allowance of \$500
be granted for rent of room
for office purposes.

Very respectfully
Wm. A. Johnson
Inspector

Case

10/18

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forwarded to

Capt. A. G. Sharpe
 Chief Pt. Insp.
 Washington D.C.
 For reference to the Hon.
 Second. Asst. P.M. Genl.

I am perfectly fam-
 iliar with route #
 41152 on which increas-
 ed service is asked, and
 think that same should
 be increased to six trips
 per week from Tognor-
 ville to Kanab (Utah)
 but do not think that
 there is any necessity
 for more than one trip
 per week from Kanab
 to Pahrpah, and would
 respectfully recommend
 that the prayer of the
 petition be granted.

L. L. Sargent

Case

10/18
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forwarded to
Capt. A. H. H. H.
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.
for reference to the Hon.
Secy. of War, Genl. Wm. T. H.
I am perfectly for
it in your name
#1150 on which in error
at some is added
think that some should
be referred to his trip
for work from Japan
ville to Alaska (Wash)
but do not think that
there is any necessity
for more than one trip
from work from Alaska
to Alaska, and women
respectfully recommend
that the papers of the
petition be granted.
Wm. T. H.

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Oct. 19th 3

Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington DC

Sir,

Herewith I forward papers in a case of alleged loss from Reg. Pkgs Envel. of a Reg. parcel of 4th Class matter, particulars of which are as follows.

On August 25/83 the postmaster at Rockport, Ohio, registered a parcel #4 for a Mr H. A. Crossley to one John Dighe at Carlisle mine New Mex (No office). This parcel he attached to Reg. Pkgs #4 - failing to comply with Ruling # 135 see page # 649 Jan'y 83. Postal Guide ^{and} addressed said package - herewith enclosed - to Carlisle mine, Graham Co, Arizona. There is no such place as Carlisle mine in Arizona but the people at Carlisle mine, Grant Co, New Mexico receive their mail through the post-office at Purdy, Graham Co, A.T.

201 00

Oct. 19th

Colt. A. B. Stark
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Sir,

The receipt of your letter in regard of
alleged loss from Dep. Judge Court. of a set
of papers of the same matter, particulars of
which are as follows.

On August 20th the postmaster
at Rockport, Ohio, registered a parcel #
for a Mr. H. A. Corcoran to one John Pige
at Rockport, Ohio (No office). This
parcel is attached to Dep. Judge #4 - failing
to comply with ruling #102 on page 100
page 101. Postal Guide and addressed said
parcels - herewith enclosed - to Rockport
Ohio, Graham Co. Ohio. There is no
such place as Rockport Ohio in Graham
Co. the people at Rockport Ohio, about
the post office at Rockport, Graham Co. Ohio.

by a special messenger.

The Reg. Pkg. Encl. #4 reached the post-office at Purdy, Graham County Arizona in due course of mail containing only the cards, herewith enclosed, but the parcel failed to reach Purdy. The postmaster at Purdy informs me that the party addressed has as yet not received the parcel, contents of which are said to be mdse. valued at \$500.

The case is respectfully forwarded to you for reference to the Inspector operating in Ohio.

Very respectfully
 Geo. L. Higdon
 Inspector

by an official messenger.
 The Reg. Depts. Court # 11 reached
 the post-office at Quincy, Graham County
 Georgia in due course of mail con-
 taining only the case, herewith en-
 closed, but the parcel failed to reach
 Quincy. The postmaster at Quincy in-
 forms me that the party addressed
 has not yet received the parcel, con-
 tents of which are said to be MSS.
 valued at \$500.

The case is respectfully forward-
 ed to you for reference to the Inspector
 operating in Ohio.

Very respectfully,
 Geo. A. Thompson
 Inspector

case

Oct. 19th 3

Capt. A. G. Sharpe
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D C

Sir:

Herewith I forward a letter from W. R. Porter, postmaster at San Bernardino, Cal. dated Oct 17/83 in reference to the alleged loss of a Registered letter from his office Feb'y 3/83 at # 151 addressed to C. J. Sessions Orojaba, Vera Cruz, Mexico - which was reported to the Department by Inspector Schantz on July 20th - 83.

The letter in question was forwarded from San Bernardino to New York City in Reg Pkyp. # 135⁹ & properly acknowledged by New York.

Since the sending of said letter, Mr Sessions has returned to San Bernardino, Cal. & stated that he had not called for, nor received the above letter & this office was so informed by Mr.

Case

Oct. 19th 1863

Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

I forward a letter from Mr. R. Porter, Superintendent of San Bernardino, Cal. dated Oct 17/63 in reference to the alleged loss of a registered letter from his office July 27/63 at # 151 addressed to C. J. Brennan Oregan, Town Corp, Mexico - which was reported to the Department by Inspector Schenck on July 20th - 63.

The letter in question was forwarded from San Bernardino to New York City in Reg. Charge # 155 & properly acknowledged by New York.

Since the sending of said letter Mr. Brennan has returned to San Bernardino, Cal. and stated that he had not called for, nor received the above letter and this office was so informed by Mr.

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Porter the postmaster under date of July 22/83 which letter was forwarded to your office by Inspector Schawte on July 24/83 stating that no doubt the letter was still at Orizaba, Mex uncalled for.

From the enclosed letter it will be seen that Mr Sessions has been informed that such is not the case. As the loss, if any, in this case must have occurred between New York City and Orizaba I respectfully forward this letter for such disposition as you may deem proper.

Very respectfully
 Wm. L. Lytle
 Inspector

Boston the frontman under date of
 July 22/80 which letter was forwarded
 to your office by Inspector Libbman
 and July 24/80 indicating that we doubt
 the letter was still at Douglas, Mr
 recalled for.

From the enclosed letter it will
 be seen that Mr. Libbman has been in-
 formed that such is not the case. As
 the law, if any, in this case must have
 occurred between Newport City and
 Douglas. Deeply forwarded this
 letter for such cooperation as you
 may deem proper.

Very respectfully
 Wm. J. Libbman
 Inspector

142987¹³.
613.00.

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Col A. G. Sharp
Chief Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir

Be pleased to find here-
with fifty dollars (\$50.) paid
by Mrs. L. M. Turner, Mother
of William L. Turner late a
letter carrier, Station # San Fran-
cisco Post Office, who was arrested
on Oct 8 '83 for stealing letters and
parcels. I tried to collect all the
losses which are chargeable to
Turner but his Mother and friends
are too poor and can't pay them.
The money collected is to pay two
special losses. One is a protest in
Ordinary Case # 1429 67¹³ and
the \$30. should be paid to Miss
Caroline Bernier, care of

142 pp 13.
11.10.00.

October 20

At A. J. Thayer
Chief Inspector
Washington D.C.

The enclosed is found here
with fifty dollars (\$50) paid
by the U. S. Treasury
of William L. Thayer late a
former member of the
House of Representatives
and now a resident of
Washington D.C. The
enclosed is a copy of
the report of the
Committee on the
Education of the
Deaf and Dumb
for the year 1899
and is a report on
the progress of the
work of the
Committee during
the year 1899.

Cases 142987 B & C. #613

Mrs H. Albert Maw No 2324
Pacific Street, San Francisco, Cal;
the other case is reported in C.C.
#613, the Money \$20. should be
paid to Mrs M. E. Cupples
No 1952 Buchanan Street, San
Francisco, Cal.

I am Sir's

Yours respectfully
Fred W. Thorne

Case 142 pp 13, 14, 15, 16, 17

Mr. H. M. White, San Francisco, Cal.
 Pacific Street - San Francisco, Cal.
 The other case is reported in No. 13.
 #13, the story of the school in
 point to Mr. W. B. Lippard
 No. 142, San Francisco, Cal.
 Francisco, Cal.

San Francisco
 James W. Lippard
 Oct 1881

Leave of abs

-M^cLaughlin

20722 A

10722 3

forwarded to

Capt. A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

With the recommenda-
tion that the exten-
sion of leave of absence
asked for by Inspector
McLaughlin be granted
He has improved
considerably within
the last week

Geo. L. Seyboth

10720- 3

forwarded to

Capt. A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

For file with papers
in case # 20722 "A" ref'd
to the Department by
me on Sept 17/03.

The addresser ack-
nowledges receipt of
encl's OK

Geo. L. Seyboth

"D. eyes

[illegible]

Mr. J. Johnson

leave of absence
Mr. Gough

the last night
unmistakably in this
the as indicated
We are happy to present
made for by Inspector
view of leave of absence
time that the action
with the recommendation
Washington, D.C.
Chief of Inspector
A. J. Sharkey
forwarded to
10/22

Mr. J. J. Jones

145176 B

Oct. 22d 3

Sir:

I have the honor to report the arrest, on Oct 10/83, of Elisha Givins, at Prescott, Arizona for the robbery of the mail between Wickenburg and Prescott Arizona on Oct 9th/83. The arrest was made by Jacob Henkle, Sheriff for the County of Yavapai, Arizona. Givins had a preliminary hearing and was held in the sum of \$1000⁰⁰ to await the return of the U.S. Court at Prescott.

In default of above bond he was placed in the County jail at Prescott, A.T. for safe keeping. In making the above arrest the sheriff employed Indians to follow any trail which would lead from the scene of the robbery.

Three Reg. Pkgs. Encls. were taken out of the pouch and rifled of contents viz: #8 from Vulture, A.T. 10/9/83 to Prescott, Arizona and #1 and #2 from

14576 B

Oct. 22d

Ohio

I have the honor to report the arrest
on Oct 10th of Charles Quinn, at Pro-
cess, Ohio for the robbery of the
mail between Chickering and Process
Ohio on Oct 1st 183. The arrest was
made by James Hinkle, Sheriff for the
County of Franklin, Ohio. Quinn
had a preliminary hearing and was held
in the sum of 1000 to await the pro-
cess of the U. S. Court at Process.
In default of above bond he was placed
in the County Jail at Process, O.
for safe keeping. In making the above
arrest the Sheriff employed victims
to follow and trail until would lead
from the scene of the robbery.
Three J. P. Judges. Quinn. were taken
out of the County and rifled of contents
from Vulture, at 10/10/35
Process, Ohio and # 1 and # 2 from

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Antelope Valley. A.T. 10/9-83, back to New York City, N.Y.

Five or six ordinary letters, all for persons at Prescott, Arizona, were also opened, but have since been delivered to parties addressed by the postmaster.

The mutilated Reg. Pkgs. are now in the hands of the U.S. Dist. Atty. who desires to retain them as evidence against the prisoner at the trial.

Further particulars will be promptly reported when received.

Very respectfully

Dr.
A. G. Clark
Chief of Inspection
Washington D.C.

Inspector

Charlottesville, Va. 10th Dec. 1862. To the
 Hon. Secy. of War.

Kind or his ordinary letter, all for
 persons at present, Virginia, were also
 referred, but have since been delivered
 to parties addressed by the postmaster.
 The mutilated Dec. 10th. are
 now in the hands of the U.S. Dist. Ct.
 who desires to retain them as evidence
 against the prisoners at the trial.

Further particulars will be
 promptly reported when received.
 Very respectfully

Chas. Smith

A. B. Clark
 Chief of Department
 Washington D.C.

Oct 23rd 3

Sir:

The enclosed letter from Fred. G. Willes Postmaster at Salinas, Utah dated Oct 7/1893 is respectfully forwarded to you for reference to the Hon. 6th Auditor of the Treasury for the P.O. Dept.

Mr Willes, now postmaster at Salinas, Utah, was the postmaster at Juab, Utah in 1881 and paid mail messenger the sum of \$7⁰⁰, which amount seems to have been allowed, but he claims was not retained by him.

This account of course will show whether the Department still owes him the amount.

To:

Capt. A. G. Sharp.

Chief of Inspection

Washington, D.C.

Very respectfully

L. L. [Signature]
Inspector

Oct 2nd

The enclosed letter from Fred. B. Miller
Postmaster at Baltimore, Md. dated Oct 1st
is respectfully forwarded to you for
reply to the Hon. Sec. Auditor of the Treas.
any for the O. & A. Co.

Mr. Miller, now Postmaster at
Baltimore, Md., was the Postmaster at
that place in 1871 and paid Mail Money
for the sum of \$750, which amount
seems to have been allowed, but he
claims was not retained by him.
This account of course will be
under the Department with a view
to the recovery.

Very respectfully
Yours
Chas. A. Clark

Chas. A. Clark
Chief Clerk
Washington

Oct 23rd 3

Sir:

The enclosed letter from Wm St. Dewitt, U.S. Dist. Atty. for Montana was received this morning.

The facts of the case he refers to are as follows:-

In August last, three stage robbers were arrested for robbing the mail bet ween Helena and Deer Lodge, Montana, and an complaint made by me, before U.S. Commissioner O'Bannon, were held for trial at the Dec. term of the U.S. Court to be held at Deer Lodge, Montana.

As several attempts at robbing the stage had been made, the citizens felt that this case was important and willingly turned out to aid in the capture of the robbers.

The arrest was made by the Deputy Sheriff of Lewis and Clark County, Mont after a search of three or four days, and the

Oct 23rd

Dear Sir:

The enclosed letter from Mr. J. A. Smith, U.S. Dist. Atty. for Montana was received this morning.

The facts of the case he refers to

are as follows:

The August last, three stage robbers were arrested for robbing the mail but were released and sent to Montana. An indictment was made by me, before U.S. Commissioner O'Donnell, were held for trial at the Dec. term of the U.S. Court to be held at Deer Lodge, Montana. At several attempts at robbing the stage had been made, the citizens felt that this case was important and willingly turned out to aid in the capture of the robbers.

The arrest was made by the Deputy Sheriff of Lewis & Clark County, Mont. after a search of three or four days and the

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evidence secured leaves no doubt that the parties arrested are the guilty ones.

They are charged under section # 5472 R.S. of U.S., and if convicted will each receive life sentences.

The case is an important one not on account of the loss, but for the reason that if a conviction is made it will prevent others from making the like attempt.

The Dist. Atty. is very anxious to secure a conviction and as the prisoners have employed very able counsel, he is desirous that he be allowed associate counsel in this case. The person he refers to, George C. Randolph, is a capable attorney and would assist for a small fee. I would respectfully ask that this matter be referred to the Department of Justice, and if consistent with the practice of that Department, that Mr. Ellitt be allowed to employ associate counsel in this case.

Respectfully,
A. B. Sharp

Chief of Inspector

Very respectfully

Th. L. S. S.

Inspector

motion seemed to leave no doubt that the
 further arrested are the guilty ones.
 They are charged under section
 # 509 B.C. of N.B., and if convicted will
 each receive life sentences.

The case is an important one
 not on account of the law, but for the
 reason that if a conviction is made it
 will prevent others from making the
 like attempt.

The District Attorney is very anxious
 to secure a conviction and the previous
 have employed very able counsel, he
 is desirous that he be allowed to
 counsel in this case. The former before
 to, George C. Dandridge, is a capable
 attorney and moved over for a small
 fee. I would respectfully ask that
 this matter be referred to the District
 Court of Justice, and if conviction with
 the former of that defendant, that
 no attempt be allowed to employ coun-
 sel's counsel in this case.

Respectfully,
 J. B. Dandridge
 District Attorney

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Oct. 25th 3

Sir:

I forward herewith a telegram received this morning from Inspector Baumerman, relative to the alleged loss of Ten registered letters in Through striped pouch, alleged to have been stolen on the Northern Pac. R.R.

Inspector Baumerman went to Helena, Montana to investigate this loss and finds that the postmaster at Helena, reported same on information received from a person representing himself to be Inspector Henderson from Washington, D.C. This man seems to have gained the confidence of postmaster Fick and Deputy U. S. Marshall Hathaway and represented to them that Inspector Schawte, Capt. White and a number of others were enroute to Helena, Montana, for the purpose of investigating this loss.

cc # 617

Oct. 22nd

Dear Sir:

I forward herewith a statement received
 and this morning from Inspector Dan
 Sullivan, relating to the alleged loss
 of two registered letters in thorough
 checked parcels, alleged to have been
 stolen on the October 1st, 1891.
 Inspector Sullivan went
 to Albany, Montana to investigate
 this loss and finds that the postmaster
 at Albany, reported some one in
 action received from a person before
 venturing himself to be Inspector Henry
 from Washington, D.C. This man
 seems to have signed the confession
 of postmaster and Deputy U.S.
 Marshal at Albany and reported
 to them that Inspector Schmitt, Capt
 White and a number of other were
 enroute to Albany, Montana, for the
 purpose of investigating the loss.

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Inspector Baermann seems to think that a man by the name of Carpenter, formerly a clerk in the office of Inspector Cameron at Denver, Colo., is the person personating Inspector Anderson. As he is well acquainted with Carpenter, he is very likely not to be mistaken in his conclusion.

The telegram is forwarded for the information of your office.

Very respectfully,
 J. E. Baermann
 Chief of Detectives
 Inspector

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Inspector Barnum seems to think
 that or mean by the name of Barker
 the formerly a clerk in the office of
 Inspector Barnum at Denver. But in
 the former preserving Inspector
 I understand. As he is well acquainted
 with Barker, he is very likely
 not to be mistaken in his conclusion.
 The telephone is furnished
 for the information of your office
 very respectfully
 J. E. Barnum
 Inspector

Oct. 25, 8.

Sir,

Genl. Saml W. Backus, postmaster here, to-day called my attention to a large lot of Chinese letters seized by the Custom Officials of this Port, on steamer "City of Tokio," arriving at San Francisco on the 23rd inst from Hong Kong. There were about five thousand of these letters, on which no postage had been paid, and they were found concealed in merchandise, to the address of different Chinamen here.

The great number found, justifies the conclusion that this practice has prevailed heretofore, and justifies the belief that the same practice occurs on steamers leaving this port for Hongkong and other points with which the Chinese transact business.

The postmaster has notified the persons to whom these letters were addressed to call for same, and he has collected postage in accordance with Sec's 1108 & 1137, Postal Laws & Regs 1879, they being treated as "unpaid letters."

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Of course this postage should have been paid at Hongkong. The number of letters seized is greater than the number arriving by regular mail on any one steamer, and if answers are sent on steamers leaving this port in the same manner, the revenue of the Department are seriously effected by this clandestine method of forwarding mail. I do not know that mail is sent that way, but the fact that letters are received in this manner justifies the conclusion that it is being done.

The postage on letters seized on the City of Tokio amounts to over \$400.00 if the letters are all delivered. Some of the parties to whom these letters are addressed decline to take them and pay postage, stating that they are simply letters to their care, and state that the persons for whom they are intended are in different parts of the country and they will lose the amt. paid. I do not know what the practice of the Custom Officials at Hongkong may be, but I think that if a rigid search be made there, many of these contraband letters would be found on the steamers leaving this port, and a faithful exercise of the law would soon stop this practice of so sending letters.

Of course the postage should have been paid at the proper time. The number of letters received is greater than the number arriving by regular mail on any one steamer, and if a steamer were sent out steamer bearing the post in the same manner the revenues of the department are seriously affected by this characteristic method of forwarding mail. I do not know that mail is sent that way but the fact that letters are received in this manner justifies the conclusion that it is being done.

The postage on letters received on the ship of this amount to over \$1000 of the letters are all delivered. Some of the parties to whom these letters are addressed decline to take them and pay postage stating that they are simply letters to their care and state that the persons for whom they are intended are in different parts of the country and they will lose the mail. I do not know what the practice of the Custom Officials at Hongkong may be but I think that if a rigid search be made there many of these contraband letters would be found on the steamer bearing the post and a further expense of the land would result. The practice of so forwarding letters

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The Custom Officials being now on their guard, will watch closely for this contraband mail. Genl. Backus is very anxious to stop this mail being carried in this manner and he will have the fullest cooperation of other Govt. officials here. He has notified the Chinese Consul of this part of this violation of law by Chinese subjects. I have no doubt that thousands of dollars have been lost to the Government in way of postage on letters concealed in merchandise leaving this port.

I would respectfully request to be instructed as to what action to take in future cases of this kind.

Very respectfully,

Inspector

Capt A. G. Sharp,
Chief P. O. Inspector,
Washington,
D. C.

Other Customs Officials being now on their
 guard will watch closely for this contraband
 mail. Lord Darnley is very anxious to stop
 this mail being carried in this manner and
 we will have the fullest co-operation of other
 local officials here. He has notified the
 naval forces of this part of the violation of
 law by Chinese subjects. I have no doubt
 that thousands of dollars have been lost to
 the Government in way of postage on letters
 concealed in merchandise leaving the port.
 I would respectfully request to be
 instructed as to what action to take in future
 cases of this kind.

Very respectfully
 Inspector

Capt. A. J. Sharp
 Chief C. O. Inspector
 Washington
 D. C.

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Oct 29th 3

Sir:

On Oct. 2nd/83 Sung Liang purchased at Watsonville, California, postal note #129 for (?) which was mailed to Duckwah at San Jose, Cal. The sender now alleges that the note in question was never received by proper addressee, but has been paid to some party not entitled to it.

The postmaster at San Jose Cal., states that said note was paid on Oct 4/83, and forwarded to the Dept. with his statement for week ending Oct. 6th. I would respectfully ask that said note be returned to me to aid in tracing the person receiving payment thereon.

To.

Capt. A. S. Clark
Chief Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Lybott
Inspector

Oct 23

Oct 23

Dear Sir

On Oct 23rd I was informed by
 Mr. [Name], [Location], that
 a [Name] was [Action] to [Location]
 at [Location], [Location]. The [Name]
 alleged that the [Name] in [Location]
 was [Action] by [Name] [Name]
 but he [Name] [Name] to [Name] [Name]
 not entitled to it.

The [Name] at [Location]
 [Name], [Name] that [Name] [Name]
 on Oct 23rd, [Name] [Name] to the [Name]
 with his statement for [Name] [Name]
 Oct 23rd. I [Name] [Name] [Name]
 that [Name] [Name] [Name] [Name]
 to [Name] [Name] the [Name] [Name]
 [Name] [Name].

Very respectfully
 [Name]
 [Name]

Respectfully
 [Name]
 [Name]
 [Name]

San Fran. Oct 31 3
 Chief Postoffice Inspector
 Washington D.C.
 Barrerman and Robinson
 both after person persoo-
 nating Henderson. He is
 supposed to be in Washington
 Territory now. He is wanted
 in connection with robbery
 of mail

Dybolt
 Inspector
 And Collect Govt. rate.

of which
 in connection with other
 territory now. It is located
 adjacent to in Washington
 State. It is
 State of Washington. It is
 both of the former names.
 Garmon and Robinson
 Washington D.C.
 Chief Post Office
 Benton, Oct 31 3

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Oct. 31

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Sir:

I enclose herewith two letters received this morning - one from A. J. Fisk, asst. P.M. at Helena, Montana and the other from Inspector Barnerman, which explain rather fully the acts of the person, personating Inspector Henderson in Montana. He seems to have played the Inspector Business with a high hand and certainly succeeded in deceiving some very sharp men; but beyond his ^{supposed} connection with some stolen registers it does not appear that he did much more than talk. Barnerman believes this man to be Carpenter - formerly in the office of Inspector Cameron at Denver and as he knows him, ought to be reasonably correct from descriptions given. Carpenter was at Salt Lake and engaged in business there which proved a failure on account of exposure.

Nov 10

Oct 21

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I enclose herewith two letters received
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 D.M. at Albany, New York, and the other
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 the office of Justice Thompson at Albany
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 ably correct from disinterestedness given
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 engaged in business there which proved
 profitable on account of the

by the newspapers. Where he went to from there I am unable to say but think it more than likely, he would drift into Montana.

Inspector Bannerman & Robinson are now both in Oregon looking for him, as he is supposed to have gone to Portland or Seattle.

Regarding the lost registers I enclose a letter from Postal Clerk who failed to take his run on date letters were stolen. As soon as notice of alleged loss was received I telegraphed Inspector Bannerman, at Salt Lake to go to Helena at once and he informed me that postmaster at Helena had reported the losses to the Department.

After getting information of the fact that a person had been there personating Inspector Henderson, I sent Inspector Robinson to Portland Oregon to cooperate with Bannerman in endeavoring to secure the arrest of said party - as he was believed to be guilty of mail robbery, in addition.

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 think it more than likely, he moved
 west into Montana.

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 him, as he is supposed to have gone to
 Portland or Seattle.

Regarding the last register
 I enclose a letter from David Clark
 who failed to take his run on date
 letter was stolen. Doremus on notice
 of alleged loss was notified. I take
 of Inspector Doremus, at last
 back to go to Helena at once and he in
 formed me that Inspector at Helena
 had reported the loss to the Sheriff
 went.

After getting information of the
 fact that a person had been there
 mentioning Inspector Doremus, I
 sent Inspector Doremus to Portland
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 in endeavoring to secure the arrest
 of said party - as he was believed to
 be guilty of mail robbery, in addition

in addition to that of personating an officer.

Nothing will be left undone to secure his capture.

I go to Helena on Nov. 3, coming, to attend U.S. Court in case of U.S. vs. Hector McLean - arrested for robbing the mails at Woodville Montana. Inspector Schante will remain in charge of Division while I am absent. I will report from Helena - full facts regarding the robbery, and hope to be able to report the capture of the person who so freely used Inspector Standerson's good name to gain the confidence of P.O. officials and others.

Yours A. G. Sharp

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington D.C.

Very respectfully
Wm. L. Rye
Inspector

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Very respectfully
 Wm. L. ...
 Sheriff

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 Sheriff

San Francisco Oct 31 3

Chief Post Office Inspector
Washington D.C.,

Leave for Helena third
November. Witness in Case
against McLean - Schanitz
will take charge -

Will do all possible in
Riley Case -

Seybold
Inspector.

Send Collect Gosh rate

San Francisco Oct 31
 Chief Post Office
 Washington D.C.
 Leave for Helena this
 morning. Will be in Car
 against 10 o'clock - 10 o'clock
 will take charge -
 Will be all possible in
 Riley case -
 Supt
 Inspector

Send Collected Post note

Nov. 2d 3

Sir:

Your letter of the 24th ult. relative to allowance for clerks employed in this office has been received, and in reply I would state that the services of Miss L. Berger, who was employed at Salt Lake City, in my office there, have ceased from October 31-83 and the postmaster at Salt Lake City is notified.

Mr. A. A. Bensen will be retained as clerk in office here at salary of \$400. the amount allowed by order of Postmaster General. His account will be forwarded in accordance with instructions.

Respectfully,
A. G. Sharp

Chief P. O. Inspector

Very respectfully

Inspector

Nov. 24

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 21st ult. relative to
allowance for black ruffled in the
office has been received, and in reply
I would state that the services of
Miss L. Dwyer, who was ruffled at
Salt Lake City, in my office there,
have ceased from October 23 to
the first instant at Salt Lake City as
notified.

Mr. C. Dwyer will be retained
as clerk in office here at salary
of \$400. the amount allowed by
order of Quartermaster General. His
account will be forwarded in a
moment with statement.

Very respectfully
J. B. Dwyer
Quartermaster

Chief of O. & P. Inspector
J. B. Dwyer

Plains for reward by

J. W. Thacker. W. P. & Co.
11/5 - 3

referred to
Capt. A. E. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington
D.C.

For his information and
with the view of
that Mr. Thacker be
informed as to the
reward which he
claims for the
capture of the
Idaho stage
robbers

perhaps or not
of W. B. W. W. W. W.
"12"
referred to
D. B. W. W. W. W.
Chief of the
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Waguer Blough, Oregon
 Sheriff's Office report

11/6 3
 forwarded to

Col. A. B. Clark
 Chief of Police
 Washington DC
 For information to the
 Hon. Sec. of State
 Inspector Blough
 recommends that the
 petitioners request by
 grant and that the
 Police Department as
 follows through and may
 find a sheriff of the
 present position

Nov. 21

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Mr. Geo. A. Lombard
 P.O. Inspector
 San Francisco Cal.
 Sir:

I have the honor to inform you the
 election petition of citizens of Cass Bay
 Co. Oregon, for a post office on an arm
 of said Bay known as James Blough, and
 for the appointment of Mrs. Geo. A. Smith as
 postmistress, which I recommend to your fa-
 vorable consideration.

Respectfully
 Ben Simpson
 P.O. Inspector

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 fact that the number of
 cases of the disease has
 increased in the last
 year. This is due to the
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 more contagious than
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Murphy.

Nov. 9th 3

Capit. A. G. Sharb
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully report that this morning I caused the arrest of Peter T. Murphy - substitute letter carrier. Station "A" San Francisco, Cal. for violation of Section # 1237 Postal Laws and Regulations (# 5471 R.S.).

I would here state that he is a new carrier and has been on the route but a short time. During the 22 days on which he has carried the mail he has at three different times destroyed newspapers &c. During his family he was allowed to plead guilty to this section and sentenced to pay a fine of \$200 and costs amounting to \$500. He with pleasure made his confession, very respectfully

Murphy

Nov. 2

Post. O. B. Short
Chief O. B. Short
Washington, D. C.

I received respectfully report that
this morning I received the report of
John T. Murphy - substitute letter
concerning Station O' Shortman, Cal.
for violation of Section # 1237 Doctor
Lawrence Regulation (# 5471 O. B.).
I would here state that he
is a new man - has been on the
route but a short time. During
the morning our vehicle he has caused
the mail he has at three differ-
ent times destroyed near father's
living in his family he was allowed
to take a fine of \$200 and
returning to pay a fine of \$200. The
report concerning his conduct was
very different.

613⁰⁰Nov. 10th 3

Capt. A. G. Tharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

On Oct. 20th I sent to you o.c. # 613
 together with \$2000 with the request
 that same be paid to Mrs. M. E.
 Ruffles # 1922 Buchanan Street
 San Francisco, Cal. Today I am
 in receipt of enclosed papers
 from Mr. H. A. Bellinger, the sender,
 which I forward for file in the
 case.

Very respectfully
 Inspector

613 00

Oct. 10. 3

Post Office
Chief Post Office
Washington D.C.

Am.

On Oct. 10th I sent to you O.C. # 613
together with \$200 worth the request
that some be paid to Mrs. M.E.
Bushman # 1922 Buchanan Street
San Francisco, Cal. I have been
in receipt of enclosed papers
from Mr. A. D. Bell, the owner
which I forward for file in the
case.

Very respectfully
Bushman

Route # 44154
 Eugene City to
 McKenzies Bridge, Oreg.
Extension.

Nov. 10th

Capt. A. E. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed petition is respectfully
 forwarded to you for such action
 as you may deem proper.

Inspector Simpson recom-
 mends that route # 44154 from
 Eugene City to McKenzies Bridge, Oreg.,
 be extended 5 miles to a place
 known as Foley's Springs and that
 a post office be established there
 known by that name and Peter
 Quincy appointed postmaster.

Very respectfully
 Inspector

Examination.
 At St. Louis, Mo. 1844
 Route # 4415

Nov. 20. 1844

Post: A. B. Clark
 Chief of the
 Washington Co.

Am:

The enclosed petition is respectfully
 forwarded to you for such action
 as you may deem proper.
 In testimony whereof I have
 signed this certificate # 4415 at
 St. Louis, Mo. 1844
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 A. B. Clark

4101 F.

Nov. 12th 3

Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

Foreign Registered case # 4101 F. is respectfully returned with the information that the Reg. parcel in question # 357 was received at San Francisco, Cal. and forwarded - per steamer "Oceanic" to Yokohama on July 10/83 - in Registered bag # 9 and Registered letter list # 7 and there is no doubt but what the case is O.K. - Herewith please find papers of office case # 384 where refer to this same parcel.

Very respectfully
 Wm L. Leybold
 Inspector
 J. J. Schmitt

Nov. 7

Nov. 12

Post. A. B. Clark
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Foreign Registered case # 1101 F. is referred
fully returned with the information
that the Reg. found in question # 357
was received at San Francisco, Cal.
and forwarded - for steamer "Oceanic"
is (Shobahama) on July 10/83 - in Regis-
tered box # 9 our Registered letter
list # 7 and there is no doubt but
what the case is O.K. - The amount
please find papers of office case
384 where refer to the same for
and

Very respectfully
Wm. A. Lippard
Inspector
San Francisco

Murphy.

Nov. 12th 3

Capt. A. S. Sharp

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington, DC

Sir:

On Nov. 9th I reported to you the arrest of Peter. T. Murphy - Substitute Letter Carrier Station "A" San Francisco, Cal and the disposition of his case in court on same date. However on same day after Murphy's case was disposed of a Mrs Anne Smith of 1912 Pierce St reported that a drop letter containing \$4000 to her address, failed to reach her. This letter was traced into Murphy's possession. Further search was made in one of the sewers, on his route, and a large package containing 53 letters was found. Among them was the very letter addressed to Mrs. Smith containing the \$4000 all in tact. As Murphy had not

Murphy

Nov. 12th

Post. O. B. Murphy
Chief O. B. Inspector
Washington, DC

Dear Sir

On Nov. 10th I requested to give the name
of Peter J. Murphy - substitute letter
number station "O" Dan Garrison, Col
and the disposition of his case in court
on some date. Answer on same day
after Murphy's case was disposed of
in Mrs. Garrison's letter of 10th Dec. 18th
requested that a draft letter contain
ing \$200 to her address, failed to reach
her. This letter was traced into Mrs.
Murphy's possession. Further search was
made in one of the rooms, on his
route, and a large package contain-
ing 25 letters was found. Among
them was the very letter addressed
to Mrs. Garrison containing the \$200
and in fact. As Murphy had not

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only lied to me but also made a
falsified affidavit. I rearrested
him yesterday (Nov. 11th) and today he
was brought before the U.S. Court
and he was allowed to plead guilty
under section #3891 P.C. and was sen-
tenced to six months in the County
Jail of Alameda County, California.

The reason for letting this scoundrel
off so easy is - as already
stated, owing to his wife who
is at present in a very critical
condition. She will be confined
in a very few days and the sudden
shock of her husband's arrest may
have serious effects.

Trusting that my action
in this matter may meet your
approval I remain

Very respectfully

Inspector

only tried to me but also made a
 furnished affidavit - I requested
 their report (Nov. 11th) and today he
 was brought before the U.S. Court
 and he was allowed to plead guilty
 under Section 3291 U.S. and was sent
 turned to his mother in the County
 Jail of Alameda County California
 The reason for letting him remain
 out of as early as - as otherwise
 stated, owing to his wife who
 is not present in a very critical
 condition. She will be confined
 in a very few days and the children
 back of her husband's most way
 have serious effects.
 Trusting that my action
 in this matter may meet your
 approval I remain
 Very respectfully
 Charles

San Francisco Cal. 1847
 Recd of Frederick Schuchert P.O. San Francisco
 one letter to my address. Con-
 taining 3000. Which was among
 letters found in several places
 in street by Peter J. Murphy sub.
 letter Prof. Schuchert, Station "d." San Fran
 Anna L. Smith

Dear Mother
 I received your letter of the 10th
 and was very glad to hear from
 you. I am well and hope this
 letter finds you the same. I
 am thinking of writing to you
 often, but have not time.
 Love from I. Smith

Case

Nov. 15th 3

Capt. A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Herewith please find Cert. / Dep. #
2234 - for \$25⁰⁰ paid by W. J. Smith
late postmaster at Round Valley
California.

Upon receipt of the enclosed
letter from R. Fred Brooks - present
postmaster at Round Valley, Cal.
called in Mr W. J. Smith P. O. collect-
ed the amount.

The Cert. is herewith forwarded
for proper disposition.

Very respectfully

Inspector

base

Nov. 1863

Post. A. B. Sharp
Chief O. & A. Surveyor
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I am much pleased to find that you
are for the first time by W. F. Smith
late photographer at Rockwell Valley

California

As per receipt of the enclosed
letter from W. F. Smith - present
photographer at Rockwell Valley, Cal -
located in the W. F. Smith Post Office

at the same time
The list is herewith forwarded
in the separate inclosure.

Very respectfully
Yours

58245.13
 71582.13
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 85852.13

Nov 17 3

Captain A. G. Sharp.
 Chief Insp. P.O.S.

Sir

I respectfully report the arrest of C.E. Rolles, alias Black Bart, the P.O.S. at San Francisco Cal, on Nov 12th '83, by Harry M. of Morris' Detective Agency of this City. Rolles is now confined in San Andreas Calaveras Co, Cal, Jail. and it is reported that he will plead guilty. Find herewith newspaper clippings bearing upon the subject and also Black Bart's photograph.

I am Sir

Yours respectfully
 Fred Chaute
 Insp

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80340 10
71527 10
23242 10

80048 10, 131220, 130912, 100000

Nov 17 3

John
Capt. J. B. Clark
Washington D.C.

I respectfully report that
arrived at C. B. Clark's office
about the 10th of Nov. at 10 o'clock
and on Nov 12th at 12 o'clock
of the same day I was
told that the same is now
in the hands of Col. Clark
and is reported to be
in the hands of the
Department being upon the
road to the West.

I remain
Very respectfully
Obedient
John

"Black Bart"

Nov. 19th 3

Capt. A. G. Thack
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

In connection with my report of
Nov. 17th - 83 forwarding particulars of
the arrest of "Black Bart" the noted
stage robber I forward herewith
the particulars of his trial and sentence
of 17th inst. which are taken from
yesterday's paper. While he denies
being the original "Black Bart" still
there is no doubt whatever but that
he is the party long looked for and
wanted. Whether there is sufficient
legal evidence to convict him or
not, this case remains
open.

Very respectfully
Inspector

Black Dant

Nov 19 3

Chief O. S. Black
Washington D. C.

The accompanying exhibit my report of
the various fragments of the
manuscript of "Black Dant" the
manuscript I forwarded herewith
the fragments of the text and
of the notes which are taken from
the fragments of the text. While the
manuscript is in the hands of the
manuscript I have been but that
the is the party I have been for
manuscript. I have been here is sufficient
manuscript to answer your
manuscript this are some

Very respectfully
Chapman

Audy Campbell

Nov. 21st 3

Capt. A. G. Sharpe
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir,

Herewith I respectfully forward report of Inspector Simpson as to the result of final trial of Audy Campbell - arrested for the robbing of the postoffice at Oregon City, Oregon on Dec. 21/80. who was found not guilty on Nov 6/83.

Very respectfully
Fred W. Chaunce
Inspector

Cady Campbell

Nov. 21st 3

Post Office
Chief of Insurrection
Washington, D.C.

Sir,

I have with respectfulness forwarded to
Post Office Insurrection Division as to the
receipt of final trial of Cady Campbell
bell - arrested for the robbery of
the Post Office at Oregon City, Oregon
on Dec. 21/80. who was found not
guilty on Nov 6/83.

Very respectfully
The Insurrection
Division

Nov 14th 3.

George A. S. Holt

Mr. Inspector

San Francisco Cal

Dear Sir

It becomes my duty to report the result
 as far as the trial of George Campbell for
 robbery and passing counterfeit money in
 San Francisco last summer. He was
 tried and convicted by a jury of 12 men, but
 through the management of his attorney he
 was given a new trial as I have before
 reported. On 6th inst he was tried again
 and acquitted by the jury on a mere quibble.
 I regret very much the result as I am fully
 satisfied that he was a party to the robbery
 and should have been convicted.

Very respectfully

Ben Thompson

Sd. Inspector

Nov 11. 3.

George W. Smith
 Esq.
 New York

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the estate of the late John Smith, deceased. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to attend to the matter personally, but I will endeavor to do all in my power to assist you. I have conferred with the attorney at law, and he has advised that the best course to pursue is to file a petition for the appointment of a guardian of the estate of the deceased. I will prepare and file the same for you, and will keep you advised of the progress of the matter. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours obedient servant,
 Geo. W. Smith

Very respectfully,
 Geo. W. Smith
 Esq.

C. L. Dodd

Nov. 21st. 3

Capt. A. G. Sharpe
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

Yours of Nov. 13th in reference to
final disposition of Charles L. Dodd
has been received. In reply to that
portion of your letter relating to Dodd
I forward herewith report of Inspec-
tor Simpson, which was received this
morning, stating that on Nov 13/83
Dodd was sentenced to the Oregon
penitentiary at hard labor for the
balance of his life.

As to Garibbi, Shelton^{and}
Wiley arrested July 30th/83 for robbing
the stage at Deer Lodge Montana
particulars of their case will be re-
ported as soon as Inspector Lybolt
returns. {

Very respectfully
A. G. Sharpe
Inspector

Oct 2nd

Nov. 21st 3

Col. A. J. Clark
Chief of O. S. Inspection
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Nov. 13th in reference to
final disbursement of Charles D. Clark
has been received. In reply to that
portion of your letter relating to Clark
I forwarded herewith report of Inspector
to this Bureau, which was received the
morning, stating that on Nov 13/83
Clark was sentenced to the Oregon
penitentiary at hard labor for the
balance of his life.

Very respectfully,
The State of Oregon
Inspector
Wm. J. Clark

Nov 14th 3.

George S. Snydell

Po Inspector

San Francisco Cal.

Dear Sir

On Sept. 15th 1883 I reported to Dept
 Attorney General, subject robbery of
 stage-carrying U. S. mail, at a point
 on stage road ^{miles} 8^{1/2} south of Julia in Oregon.
 I then stated that a man going by the
 name of Charles D. Dodd had been arrested
 charged with the crime above referred to.

I would now respectfully beg leave to state
 that the accused Charles D. Dodd has just
 been tried in U. S. Court and found guilty
 and on yesterday 13th inst he was sentenced
 to hard labor in the Oregon Penitentiary
 for the balance of his life. Good enough

Very respectfully

Ben Simpson

Po Inspector

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the
subject of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon, and in reply to inform you
that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir,
very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. W. [Signature]

"Stella James"

Nov. 22d 3

Capt. A. G. Sharp
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully report that I caused the arrest of John P. Jones for violation Section #1246 P.L. and R. (5280 P.S.) He was arrested yesterday (Nov. 21st) at Lockeford, San Joaquin County, California and by Deputy U.S. Marshal brought to San Francisco, Cal. Today he was brought before Judge Hoffman, (U.S. Court) and pleaded guilty, receiving a sentence of 6 months in the Alameda County, (Cal.) Jail and to pay a fine of \$200.

The particulars of his case are as follows:

He advertised in the San Fran. "Morning Call" as per slip attached to letter herewith forwarded, to which

"Held for" *James*

Nov. 22d

Washingon D.C.
 Chief of Police
 Capt. A. J. [unclear]

Dear Sir:
 I would respectfully request that I
 receive the arrest of John D. Jones for
 violation Section #1012 (2nd Div.)
 It was arrested yesterday (Nov. 21st) at
 Rockford, San Joaquin County, California
 and by Deputy U.S. Marshal brought
 to San Francisco, Cal. Today he was
 brought before Judge Hoffman, U.S.
 Court, and released upon recognizance
 a sum of \$1000 in the U.S.
 Marshal's Office (Cal.) fail to pay
 a fine of \$100.
 The particulars of his case
 are as follows:
 He was arrested in the San Francisco
 "Morning Call" on the 15th attached
 to better [unclear] forwarded, to which

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he received some 50 letters in reply - showing that if he were what he represented, he would have no difficulty in securing employment.

How much money he got on his scheme cannot exactly be ascertained, but it cannot be much as the postmaster at Lockeford refused to deliver any Registered letters to him or pay any money orders.

I herewith forward a letter addressed to Mrs M.C. Lawton dated Oct. 24/83 at Lockeford, Cal. which is a fair sample of the way Jones expected to make a few easy living.

Very respectfully

Inspector

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 to deliver any registered letters to
 him or pay any money over.
 I have with forward a
 letter addressed to Mrs W. G. G. G.
 dated Oct. 24/83 at Lockford, Cole
 which is a fair sample of the
 way Jones expected to make a few
 many living.
 Very respectfully
 Chas. G. G.

Helena Montana Nov 15th 3

George L. Seybert Esq
P.O. Inspector
Sir.

We have to report the arrest on Nov 12th of John D. Nicholas Postal Clerk on Northern Pac. Railroad, running between Miles City Montana and Helena Montana, for stealing and rifling registered letters. He was arrested Nov 12th on a warrant sworn by Inspector Rannerman charging Nicholas with stealing registered letter number 6 postmarked Starville Montana Nov. 9th directed to Miles City and containing (\$100?) in cash. Nov 13th Nicholas was brought before U.S. Commissioner Alden. Pleaded not guilty and waiting examination was held in County Jail. on default of which he was committed to jail in Helena to await next term of Grand Jury at Helena. Nov 14. another warrant was sworn by Inspector Rannerman charging Nicholas with stealing Reg. letter number 158 from Mammoth Hot Springs

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Wyming to Market Lake Idaho. To this he
also pleaded not guilty and a hearing
was held in 1883-84.

Losses of registered mail have been frequent on
the Northern Pacific between Salt Lake City and
Helena since about August 1883, and suspicion
was directed to Nicholas about Oct 13th. - On
registers being having been lost from the mail
which left Helena on October 12th. The circumstances
under which the mail came under the
charge of Nicholas made it appear certain that the
same were stolen by him. Postal Clerk. Payne
received from Clerk Batten on Oct 12th the regis-
tered mail from the "West" and gave him, Payne,
receipt for (48) forty through registers. Payne placed
these registers into the pouch made up in the
Helena post office, for the agent returning East, and
went to bed. The Postal Clerk failed to call him
in time and when he got up, he was late
and reached the station just in time to see
the train moving away. One of the clerks from the
Post Office had taken the mail to the car,
saw it placed into the car, and the door closed.
Payne at once telegraphed to Postal Clerk
Coffee who was coming West to transfer at
meeting point and make the run to Miles
City.

Meeting point and make the run to the
 office who was carrying West to transfer at
 point at one telephone to postal clerk
 and it placed into the car, and the driver closed
 Post Office had taken the mail to the car
 the train moving away. One of the clerks from the
 car reached the station first in time to see
 in time and when he got up. He was late
 sent to bed. The postal clerk found he was late
 station post office, for the agent returning East, and
 their register into the book made up in the
 receipt for (25) first through register, (25) papers
 sent from the "West" and gave his papers,
 received from Clark Station on Oct 1st the register
 some were taken. If this is Postal Clerk. (25)
 change of tickets made it appear correct in that
 car, under which the mail was carried in that
 which left station on October 1st. The circumstances
 car station after leaving then for from the mail
 was directed to the station about Oct 1st. The
 station since about August 1903, and suspicion
 the station before between that day and
 station of register mail has been frequent on
 was held in 1903 -
 also placed out just one morning 1903
 according to the station. To the 1st

Coffey had no opportunity to change and he in turn telegraphed from Salt Lake, to Clark Nicholas who was at Livingston, to take the car at that point and take charge to Miles City.

On arriving at Miles City, Nicholas took (20) thirty "through registers"; of the (100) forty for which Payne agreed to Sullivan, to the Miles City P.O., but saying nothing about the (10) ten, that were missing, nor giving any reason for turning in any through mail at Miles City, which was contrary to the usual custom and in violation of instructions, for he had connected at the station with Arkwright, to whom he had delivered all through mail taken on by him between Livingston and Miles City. On return to Helena Nicholas reported that that when he took the car there was no Helena pouch. Statements made by Nicholas to different parties concerning the condition of car and the mail received, were very contradictory and proved to be false by the statements of the railroad employees, telegraph operator, Clark Payson & Coffey and the P.M. at Miles City. It has been ascertained that the mail from Helena for points between that office and Miles City, which was sent on 1st, was all received and mail from "East" proving that Nicholas had turned it over to Arkwright unopened.

The first of these is the fact that the
 original of the letter was not found
 in the files of the Department. The
 only copy of the letter which was
 found was a copy of the letter
 which was made by the Department
 in 1864. This copy of the letter
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 and was the only copy of the letter
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 made by the Department in 1864.

or left in the car. It has been ascertained that none of the ten registers that were missing have been received at Office of Distinction. From the fact that no one could have had access to the pouch in which the (40) forty registers were placed until Nicholas got into the car, and the fact that when he took them to the P.O. he had made no entry in his book, (although the distance is more than 270 miles from Livingston to Miles) it appeared certain that Nicholas had taken them. It must be remembered that Payne had his book, in which the registered letters were entered, in his possession, so no check was placed upon Nicholas.

Other losses have ^{been} traced directly into his hands and it is remarkable that of the many losses of registered letters in past four months, all that have been reported not one strikes any other clerk. Rand's actual losses, a suspicious case is against Nicholas, relative to a reg. pkg. containing \$5000, sent from Helena to Bozeman and carried by him to Miles City although all other registers for Bozeman received by him at same time were properly delivered. These suspicious matters, taken together with the recent movements of Nicholas and his extraordinary statements, seemed to point so directly to him

or left in the car. It has been ascertained that
 none of the two registers that were missing have
 been recovered at Office of Investigation. From the
 fact that the two covers have been secured to the
 papers in which the (no) fast registers were placed
 until Nicholas got into the car, under the fact that
 when he took them to the P.D. he has made no entry
 in his book, (although the distance is more than 20
 miles from Livingston to New York) it appears certain
 that Nicholas has taken them. It must be
 remembered that before that his book, in which the
 registers were entered, in his possession, as no
 check was placed upon Nicholas.
 After having been directly with his house
 and it is remarkable that of the many books
 of registers taken in fast four months ago that
 have been reported but one which any other
 clerk, besides a noted bar, a suspicious case
 is against Nicholas, relative to a fast. Noting
 a note sent from Helen to Governor and
 covered by him to Miss Liff although all
 other registers for Governor were covered by him
 at some time were properly delivered. These
 suspicious notes, taken together with the recent
 movement of Nicholas and his extraordinary
 statement, seemed to point as directly to him

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 as the thief, that it appeared important he should
 be apprehended before he had opportunity to leave.
 Among other statements made by Nicholas, was one
 that another Clerk was stealing from the mails
 arriving from Portland Nov 4th. Inspector Bannerman
 had an interview with Nicholas on the 5th getting
 his statement as to the condition of car and mail
 on Oct 12th. Mr. (B-) apparently made Nicholas
 his confidential agent to ~~find~~ the dishonest Clerk
 whom Nicholas declared was Warren.

Nicholas was to have taken the run from Miles
 City to Helena on Nov. 8th but did not, nor on
 the 9th and fearing that he had become
 suspicious (the matter of Oct 12 being very generally ^{known})
 Inspector Bannerman and Robinson left
 Helena for Miles City Nov 9. P.M. (Inspector
 Robinson being unknown Officially, but as one
 Williams) While en route were informed
 that he did not leave Miles City on 8th
 on the night of Nov 10, in a room in hotel
 and in presence of P.M. of Miles City a register
 test letter was prepared. The letter purported
 to be written by Mrs Joe Powers and contained
 \$40 - The P.M. saw the letter written the money
 placed into it and put in a R.P.E. #6
 postmarked Stoneville Mont directed to

performed Charles West directed to
place into it one put in a P.S. #2
No. 10 - The P.M. saw the letter within the morning
to be written by the for Brown and contained
that letter was forwarded, the letter forwarded
and in presence of G.M. of West's last a register
on the night of Nov 10, in a room in hotel
that he did not leave West's key on the
William's? While we wait we understand
Robinson being unknown officially but as we
believe for West's key. Mr. P. M. (suspect)
suspected Robinson was a Robinson left
suspicion (the matter of West's being very serious)
at 9th we fear that he has become
left to believe on Nov. 8th but did not, we are
Richard was to have taken the run from Miss
where Richard believe was Thomas.
his confidential agent to ~~the~~ the highest level
on Oct 12th, Mr. (B-) apparently made Richard
his last meet as to the condition of our man's
for an interview with Richard on the 1st getting
coming from Richard the 1st suspect's coming
that another West was taking from the man's
during other statements made by Richard, we are
in apprehension before the last opportunity to leave,
as the chief, that it appears important to know

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Miles City. In the morning the P.M. placed the R.P. in the bottom of a pouch and put the mail for "West" bound train in same pouch which went into hands of Nicholas. The P.M. was instructed to telegraph to "Bannerman to Conductor on train" immediately on arrival of train whether or not "C." was returned. The first meeting point was at Foreyda, but here no "go back" was put off. The Clerk on East train was Warner. Mr. Livingston message received from P.M. Miles City that letter was not returned. The next meeting point was at Mountain Side, 10 miles East of Bozeman, and Clerk Payne was seen ^{by} Inspector Bannerman to receive "go back" mail from the hands of Nicholas, but no registered letter. This being the last opportunity to exchange mails, it was then the duty of Nicholas, if the letter had been "carried by" to hold it until his arrival at Helena and turn into that office.

It was possible that the letter had been put off at some office where Payne would receive it on next day, and ~~it~~ ^{now} we decided to go into the car at Bozeman, and if Nicholas had record of the letter to do nothing until after getting word from Payne, who had been instructed to send message to Bannerman at Helena if he received

The first meeting point was at Georgetown, but had
 no "go back" was put off. The Clerk on East Coast
 from P.M. With letter that letter was sent return
 The next meeting point was at Mountain
 side, 10 miles East of Georgetown, and there
 Payne was seen by Inspector Barrington to receive
 "go back" mail from the hands of Nicholas, but no
 registered letter. This being the last opportunity to
 exchange mails, it was then the duty of Nicholas if
 he later has been "covered up" to hold it until his
 arrival at Kulu and turn into that office.
 It was provided that the letter has been put off
 at some office where Payne would receive it on
 next day, and we decided to go into the
 one at Georgetown, and if Nicholas had come
 of the letter as so nothing would after getting word
 from Payne, who has been instructed to send
 message to Barrington at Kulu if he receives

the letter. At Roxeman we entered the car, but not
 making R's identity known, on entering, Nicholas told
 Baunerman that the operator at Livingston came to
 the car with a telegram for Baunerman, and
 inquired if he (B-) was on the train. This was a "face"
 and changed all plans. Baunerman casually examined
 his record book and found the package returned and
 signed. The entry appeared, in margin these notes,
 that: ^{fast man} "off at Billings" } "agt Warren" having been
 erased, and "off at Billings" written under. In
 conversation Nicholas stated positively that he put
 the letter off at Billings. At Townsend Baunerman
 went to P.M. at Billings, and waiting reply from
 Billings and Payne, concluded to keep Nicholas
 in sight until replies were received. After delivering
 the mail to Helena P.O. Nicholas was invited to the
 room in Hotel for further talk about the lost 10
 registered letters on Oct 12. Robinson returned to
 the car and made thorough search, found in the
 locker where he had kept his coat (Nicholas) a flask
 half filled with whiskey. Also found in a pouch
 that had been hung on the rack by Nicholas for
 his night room. A R.P.E. to 143 postmarked
 "Gallatin 11/01 - to Roxeman. This was in a
 pouch labeled "Dickson West" This was a
 certain evidence of dishonest intent. The R.P.E

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had been put on his train by mistake, should have been sent "East", and his duty was, to send into Helena P.O. It was put in a pouch that could not be used by him, but would be put off. East of Miles City. He had made no entry whatever on the book of the R.P.C., and later in the day refused to acknowledge receiving it although he frankly stated that he knew of no way it could have been put where it was found, by any one else, and positively stated that when he hung the pouch it was empty. R.P.C. #113. was forwarded to destination and was OK. About 4 P.M. reply was received from Billings stating that no such letter had been received (Have since had personal interview with P.M. and R.R. agent at Billings and they state positively and are willing to make oath that no "go back" pouch was put off at that station.) Nicholas was then asked to account for the letter. He repeated his statement that he put off at Billings, but seeing the telegram, he said he put off at Park City and not Billings, and he put in "go back" at Park City. Telegram sent to P.M. Park City asking if letter was received, and how many pouches was answered "no letter rec'd" and one pouch only put off. also telegraphed Payne who would receive the "go back" at Park City (or at any point East of Livingston) and he replied not received his answer coming from

has been put on his train of minister, which has been sent
"out" and his duty was to read and observe. It was
but in a church that would not be used again, but would be
put off. East of this city. The fact would be easily explained on
the fact of the 11th. One day in the day before the celebration
was up it occurred to the church, which that the church
was up it once has been put a case of no future, of any
in the case, possibly stated that when the church was
put off it was up. The fact was, however, to be stated
and was OK. The fact was, however, to be stated
from the church, stating that no such letter has been
received. The church has been a church since the 11th.
and is a great of the church and the fact of the church
was an unwilling to make such a statement. The church was
there was put off at that time. The church was
in order to be carried to the church, the church
his statement that the fact of the church, but being
the church, the church is put off at the church.
and not the church, and the fact is "out".
at the church. The church sent to the church.
action of the church, and the church
church, and the church "no letter" and the church
church, and the church, and the church
who would receive the "out" at the church.
(at the church of the church) and the church
reply to the church. The church

Miles City, the end of his run. Nicholas then failed
 entirely to account for the letter saying he could not tell
 where he put it off. Rasing asked why he did not
 give to Warren at first meeting point, he replied he
 did not think it safe to give it to Warren" although
 he admitted that Warren's receipt was as much protection
 as showing proper delivery as any man. The result of his
 statements and the telegrams received, seemed to plainly
 show that he had not put this letter into any office or
 at any station to allow it to reach Miles City - for Payne
 not getting the letter in any go back, was evidence
 that it had not been put off East of Livingston
 and was either in the possession of Nicholas, or
 had been put into some office, making it sure
 it would be put on the car, that night, when
 Nicholas supposed he would have the run. If this
 was a fact, it was a direct violation of instructions, for having
 failed to give to Payne, it was his duty to deliver into
 the Helena Office. He decided to search him, which
 was done, but no evidence of possession was found.
 There seemed however to be no reasonable doubt
 of his guilt, and a consultation was held with
 Mr De Witt U. S. Dist. Attorney, to whom a plain
 statement of the circumstances was made
 and by his advice the warrant was shown
 out by Inspector Barrerman and Nicholas

I have been thinking much lately about the
 case of the "Herald" and the manner in which
 it has been handled. It seems to me that the
 public interest would be better served if the
 facts were stated more fully and honestly.
 The paper has been accused of many things,
 but I think it is entitled to a fair trial.
 I am sure that the public will judge for
 itself. I hope that the authorities will
 do their duty and see that justice is done.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours truly,
 Wm. Lloyd Garrison

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was placed in hands of U.S. Marshal as hereinbefore stated. While there had been no reason to doubt the guilt of Nicholas, in case of the 10 registers but Oct 12th and of other losses, the evidence being mainly circumstantial, it was thought best to get direct evidence of dishonesty, by sending the letter in question in this report. Late at night, Nov 13, telegram was received from P.M. Milwaukee that Reg #6, Stoneville, had been delivered that evening. This appeared to be "facer" No 2, but after considering all possibilities it was plain that wherever that letter was put off by Nicholas, he intended that it should have come again into his hands as is proved by the fact that Babcock, who took his (Nicholas) room got the letter and not Payne. The Dist Attorney was again consulted and by his advice, he knowing all facts Nicholas was brought up on another warrant charging him with the Mammoth Hot Springs letter as before stated. We have been particular in making this detailed report for the reason that you was present in Helena at time of arrest and are familiar with all the circumstances and facts in the case; we feel confident that before the case comes to Grand Jury, shall be able to furnish evidence that will prove beyond a reasonable doubt, that Nicholas

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now placed in hands of Mr. Marshall as trustee for
estate. While there has been no action to break the
spirit of the order in case of the 10. 18. 18. but it is
not of other than the evidence being given. It is
understand that it was thought that it got ahead of
of testimony. In looking the letter in question on this
point. Note at night Jan 13. the ground was given
from Mr. Marshall that day to the trustee, that
been testimony that evening. This appeared to be
"given" to 2. but after considering all possibilities
it was plain that when that letter was put off
of the letter, he intended that it should have come
again into his hands as a proof of the fact that
Hester, who took his (Hester's) name, put the letter
and not Dyer. The best attorney was again
convinced and by his advice, he turning all that
Hester was through up on another account
charging him with the same account that Hester
to be as before stated. The same has particular in
making this statement report for the reason that
you was present in the room at time of account
and are familiar with all the circumstances
and fact in the case; the fact is sufficient that
before the case comes to forward. What
be able to furnish evidence that will prove
before a reasonable doubt. That Hester

stole \$150⁰⁰ from a letter mailed at Chico
 Montana and changed the RPE on same -
 That he stole outright a reg. letter from
 Mammoth Hot Springs - also one from
 Stillwater, an a. delivery letter sent to
 Helena which contained \$10 - and other
 losses. In the matter of the \$5000. package
 mentioned in this report, there is no doubt of an
 intention to steal, and at the time, the
 matter was brought directly to the attention of
 Hon A D Hazen Postmaster who was in Helena at
 the time - There can be no doubt of his
 intention to steal Reg #43 from Gallatin, which
 he left in the car, nor #6, Stoneville which
 we have already shown, he carried beyond
 all possibility that it could reach any hands
 but his own. and firmly believe that to all
 intents he had taken it. but the telegram
 to Baunerman at Livingston cautioned him
 to be on his guard

Very respectfully

W. A. Robinson

T. R. Baunerman

Encl

The \$1500 from a letter written at the
 Winter are charged to the \$1500 account -
 that is the entire amount of the \$1500 from
 the account of the \$1500 - also one from
 the account, the entire letter sent to
 the time which contained \$1500 - and other
 items. In the matter of the \$1500 - package
 contained in this report, there is no part of an
 intention to deal, and at the time, the
 matter was brought directly to the attention of
 the \$1500. It was not in the time of
 the time - there can be no doubt of the
 intention to deal with the \$1500, which
 is left in the case, and the \$1500 which
 we have already shown, the entire report
 as far as the \$1500 is concerned, and the
 that is our own finding, which is that to all
 intent, it is the same. It is the same
 to the same as the \$1500, which is the
 to be in the report

Very respectfully
 W. H. Robinson
 J. H. Robinson

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Sup^t A. G. Sharpe
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D. C.

Sir:

On Oct 4th last Inspector Schante
 reported to your office the alleged loss
 of letters to Messrs. P. Lorrillard & Co. Jersey
 City, N. J. and suggested that the matter
 be looked into at Jersey City as the
 letters reported lost are from various
 parts of the country. In connection
 with that letter, I forward herewith
 some further complaint to - from Bank
 of Nevada this city and Sanderson & Horn.
 for your information and such action as
 you may deem proper.

Very respectfully
 Chas. L. Mayo
 Inspector

Nov. 22nd

Wm. A. G. Clark
Chief of Insurrection
Washington, D.C.

Our Oct 22nd last Insurrection Agents
reported to your office the alleged loss
of letters to Mrs. O'Connell and Co. of New
York. It is suggested that the matter
be looked into at once by the
better reported last and from various
parts of the country. In connection
with this letter, forwarded herewith
some further copies to your bank
of the letter to Mrs. O'Connell and Co.
for your information and such action as
you may deem proper.

Very respectfully
Wm. A. G. Clark
Chief of Insurrection

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th inst.
 in relation to the account of James M. Smith, and the
 fact that they were not at the same place, and that they were not
 at the same place, and that they were not at the same place.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. M. Smith

Chief of the Bureau
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:
 In reply to your letter of the 13th inst.
 in relation to the account of James M. Smith, and the
 fact that they were not at the same place, and that they were not
 at the same place, and that they were not at the same place.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. M. Smith

Nov. 26th 1883

Capt. A. J. Sharpe
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 13th inst.
 in relation to the arrest of Gamble, Sheldon
 and Wiley - on July 20th last for robbing
 of the stage near Deer Lodge, Montana,
 I would state that they will be tried
 at Deer Lodge, Montana, at the next
 term of the U. S. Court to be held early
 in December next. The result of
 their trial will be fully reported
 to you from this office.

Very respectfully,
 Geo. L. Rye
 U. S. Marshal

Nov. 22nd

Post Office
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

The next day upon return of the 13th inst.
related to the arrest of James M. Smith
and his wife - and fully advised for robbery
and the stage was the 1st of Nov. 1864
known to be that they would be in
at the 1st of Nov. 1864, at the next
meeting of the 1st of Nov. 1864, only
one at the next meeting, and the result of
their trial will be fully reported
to you from this office.
Yours truly
John F. Smith
Chief of Police

John D. Nicholas

Nov. 27th 3

Capt. A. G. Tharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

I forward herewith report of Inspectors Robinson^{and} Barrerman relative to arrest of John D. Nicholas, Postal Clerk on Northern Pac. R.R. - running between Miles City^{and} Helena, Mont. Since August 1st last numerous complaints of losses by Registered mail on that route have been reported, and upon investigation it was found that nearly, or quite all the losses either occurred on Nicholas' run or when he was "dead-heading" between Miles City^{and} Livingston - or Livingston^{and} Miles City.

It has been his practice after his run between Miles City^{and} Livingston was extended to Helena to return to Livingston, on nearly every trip, which ended at Miles City and this practice gave him access to Registered matter for which others were

John A. Nicholas

Nov. 27th

*W. A. Nicholas
Chief of Bureau
Washington DC*

Dear Sir:

I forward herewith report of Inspector Robin
and Bureau relative to report of John A.
Nicholas, dated 18th Nov. 1900. The
concerning between Miles City and Helena, Mont.
being subject of last numerous complaints
of losses by registered mail on that route
have been reported, and upon investigation
it was found that nearly, or quite all the
losses either occurred on Nicholas' run or
when he was "road-backing" between Miles
City and Livingston or Livingston and Miles City.
It has been his practice after his run
between Miles City and Livingston was extended
to Helena to return to Livingston, or
nearly every trip, which ended at Miles
City and that practice gave him access
to registered matter for which others were

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responsible. In the case on which complaint was first made there is not evidence enough to secure his conviction; but in the second complaint of stealing the Register from Mammoth Hot Springs to Market Lake, I believe conviction can be made. In the case of rifling Reg. letter #20 from Chico, Mont, to Saint Paul Minn. there is evidence that he did the rifling. In this case the Reg. Pckgs. was taken off and a new one put on and the envelope is in the handwriting of Nicholas - at least that is the opinion of experts to whom the envelope has been submitted. It bears no resemblance to the handwriting of the postmaster at Chico, Mont, and is unmistakably the handwriting of Nicholas.

Again in reference to the loss of Ten Reg. packages from Car on Oct. 13th last, it is shown that not one statement made by Nicholas is true.

The car was lighted before leaving Helena and was lighted when it reached Livingston where Nicholas got in; and this coupled with the statement that he received no letter mail from Helena

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 registered with the statement that he
 had been and was lighted under it
 The car was lighted before leaving
 made by Nicholas is true.

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 from Reg. packages from her on Oct. 13th
 again in reference to the loss of
 to badly the handwriting of Nicholas.
 footman at Chica, Mont, who is
 responsible to the handwriting of the
 envelope has been submitted. It appears
 is the opinion of experts to return the
 the handwriting of Nicholas - at least that
 and a new one put on and the envelope is in
 in the case the Reg. package was taken off
 there is evidence that he did the writing.
 # so from Chica, Mont, to Saint Paul Minn
 the case of writing Reg. letter
 made. In the case of writing letter
 Nicholas, I believe conversation can
 register from Washington that should be
 in the record a complaint of stealing the
 seems enough to secure his conviction; but
 faint was first made there is not one
 responsible. In the case of writing letter

and that he spent an hour in lighting the car and building a fire and that Registers were strewn over the car, some on the floor, some on table and some in the drawer; shows very clearly that he either wilfully mis-stated the facts or was too drunk to know what he really had. All letter mail from Helena on that day, including dozens of letters from Banks, was received at points beyond Miles without delay, and between Helena and Miles in return mail from Postal Clerk East of the latter place - showing Nicholas had it but failed to work it.

The thirty through registers which he turned in at Miles City were not entered upon his book, and he the next day made record from the books of that office. I myself saw his book, and in that book I saw what could not have been a mistake, but a deliberate attempt to get a receipt for a Reg. Pckge. from Arkwright - who on the 13th of October receipted to him (Nicholas) for 12 Reg. Pckges, but failed to indicate how many on the

and that he spent an hour in lighting the
 room by building a fire ^{and} that Register
 never shows over the ear, some on the
 floor, some on table ^{and} some in the
 chimney, shows very clearly that he
 either willfully or involuntarily the facts or
 was too stupid to know what he really
 had. All better mail from the land
 now that day, including dozens of letters
 from London now recorded at points
 beyond miles without delay, ^{and} between
 the land and miles in return from
 Boston back East of the latter place -
 showing that it but failed to

be the thing through register which he
 turned in at 11 miles City were not entered
 upon his book, ^{and} he the next day made
 record from the books of that office.
 I myself saw his book, ^{and} in that book
 I saw what could not have been a
 mistake, but a deliberate attempt
 to get a receipt for a Reg. Order from
 the register - and on the 1st of October
 receipted to him (Nichols) for 12 Reg. Orders
 but failed to indicate how many on the

margin of the book.

Below the ones turned over to Arkwright, were entered four or five Packages, turned in at Miles City same day - leaving between the two a blank line. In that blank line was entered the number and address of a Reg. Package, from Maiden, which Nicholas received on the ~~12th~~ ^{13th} and had the date been correct - that is ~~12th~~ ^{13th} - he would have had a receipt which Arkwright could not have questioned, but the date would have shown that he could not have received it on the 13th. This could not have been a mistake but a deliberate attempt to get a receipt for a Reg. Package, which was never delivered. He evidently saw that the dates would be against him and drew his pencil through the entry, and entered it in another place in his book.

Nicholas habits in Montana have not been such as to inspire confidence. He was drunk half of his time and gambled frequently. It is safe to say that any man who gambles with professionals in Montana, is liable to come out a loser.

arrangement of the book.
 Below the ones turned over to the
 receipt, were entered four or five packages
 turned in at 17th St. by same day. The
 in between the two a blank line. In
 that blank line was entered the number
 and address of a Reg. Package. From
 previous, which the package received on
 the 11th and had the date been correct.
 that in 17th - he would have had a receipt
 which the receipt would not have given
 issued, but the date would have shown
 that he would not have received it
 on the 13th. This could not have been
 a mistake but a deliberate attempt
 to get a receipt for a Reg. Package which
 was never delivered. The receipt was
 that the date would be against him
 and then his friend through the entry
 entered it in another place in his book.
 The habits in Montrose have not
 been such as to inspire confidence. He
 soon found half of his time was spent
 frequently. It is safe to say that any man
 who is capable with professional in
 Montrose, is liable to come out a loser.

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The Inspectors have very fully set forth
the particulars of this case and to their
report I invite your especial attention
very respectfully

Geo. L. Dyball
Inspector

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The Inspector have very fully set forth
the particulars of this case and to their
report I invite your careful attention

Very respectfully
Wm. L. Webster

Inspector

Copied wrong by Schaurte

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San Fran. Cal 11/27 3
Hon. A. W. Hagen
Third Asst U. S. Seal

Sir

Please find herewith twenty ordinary letters, 18 of which are addressed to Miss Stella James, and two to Mr Wm Jordan.

The facts in the case are that John P. Jones, advertised under the name of "Stella James," claiming to be a poor young, but honest girl seeking employment. His scheme was to defraud, he was on Nov 21st 83, caused his arrest under section 1246. P. S. & Reg. 79, and on Nov 22nd 83, he pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six months confinement in the San Fran. Co Jail and pay a fine of \$20⁰⁰. Jones authorized me to open

Copied by Robert

Sam. John. 1817

Wm. W. Rogers
Printed by Wm. W. Rogers

Mr

I have just received from
your letter of 10th inst. and
advised to this effect. I have
sent you to the printer.
The facts in the case are
that John P. Jones, advertising
under the name of "John P. Jones",
claiming to be a poor young man,
has just sent me a letter saying
that he has been married to a young
man on Nov 21st, 1817, and is now
under the name of John P. Jones.
and on Nov 21st, 1817, he has just
sent me a letter saying that he
has been married to a young
man on Nov 21st, 1817, and is now
under the name of John P. Jones.
and on Nov 21st, 1817, he has just
sent me a letter saying that he
has been married to a young
man on Nov 21st, 1817, and is now
under the name of John P. Jones.

all the letters and return them to
the senders but I thought ^{myself} might
not approve of it. hence I ~~sent~~
them ~~by~~ you.

Jones rec'd about fifty letters
or more all of which he claims
to have destroyed before arrest.

I returned two registered letters
to the writers.

I am Sir

Yours respectfully
F. W. Chauncey
Inop

all the letters and returns them to
 the sender but I thought ^{you} might
 want a copy of it. I have ~~it~~
 then I have
 I have one about fifty letters
 for more all of which I have
 those that I have before me.
 I return them to you and return letters
 to the writer.

Yours respectfully
 J. W. Johnson
 Dear

Nov. 27th 3

Capt A. G. Shoup
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed communication from
 Inspector Simpson with recommendation
 for the removal of the present post-
 master at Gruesee, Teton Co., Idaho
 and the appointment of Jacob Rosenstein
 upon the endorsement of the Hon W. J.
 McCornell, President of the senate
 last Oregon legislature, is respectfully
 forwarded to your office for reference
 to the Hon. Postmaster General

Very respectfully,
 [Signature]

Inspector

Nov 27th 3

Chief of Dept. of Agriculture
Washington, D.C.

The enclosed communication from
Inspector Bishop with recommendation
for the removal of the present post-
master at Denver, Colorado, also
and the recommendation of postmaster
upon the recommendation of the U.S.
Mr. Corvill, President of the Senate
last session, is respectfully
forwarded to your office for reference
to the Hon. Sec. of War.

Very respectfully
Yours,
Inspector

Nov. 30th 3

Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington DC

Sir,

The enclosed request for a change of site of post office at Smartsville, California is respectfully forwarded with recommendation that the request be granted.

J. Bratty Jr., the postmaster at Smartsville, Cal., has been in the employ of a mercantile firm at that place but his services cease on Nov 30th and he is desirous of taking the office into a building where he can have the sole and absolute control. His hands were object to allowing it to remain in the store where it now is and the charge left with others. This being the case I have deemed it advisable to allow him to make the change in anticipation of consent being given by the Department.

Very respectfully,
 A. G. Sharp
 Inspector

Nov. 30th 3

Chief of Dept. of Justice
Washington DC

The enclosed report for a change of site
of post office at Bunkerville, California
is respectfully forwarded with recommendation
that the request be granted.
I desire to state that the postmaster at Bunkerville,
Calif. has been in the receipt of
no merchandise from at that place
but his services are now
he is anxious of taking the office into
a building where he can have the sole
and absolute control. This has been
suggested to allowing it to remain in the
old where it now is and the change
left with others. This being the case
I have deemed it advisable to allow
him to make the change in satisfaction
of current being given by the Department
and respectfully in the

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Capt. A. J. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Dear Capt:

I received the enclosed letter from
Mr. McLaughlin this morning. I feel sorry
for him, knowing as I do, that he has killed
himself while working in our service.
I sincerely hope that he will be held as
long as he lives ^{and} also hope that he is not
as bad as he seems to think. At my
earliest convenience I shall visit him
^{and} will then write you fully regarding
his case.

Very truly yours.

J. Edgar Hoover
Inspector

Personal

Nov 30

Wm. D. Lusk
Chief of the
Washington D.C.
Post Office

I received the enclosed letter from
you - Mr. Lusk, this morning. I feel sorry
for him, knowing as he is, that he has
the business of the Washington Post Office
I sincerely hope that he will be able to
keep as he lives and also hope that he is not
too bad as he seems to think. At any
rate - I am sure I shall visit him
and will then write you fully regarding
his case.

Very truly yours
Wm. D. Lusk
Chief of the
Washington D.C.
Post Office

- San Francisco Dist. Aug. 1891*
- Wm. L. Hughes*
1. $\frac{1}{2}$ Reel Fool's Cap paper
 2. $\frac{1}{2}$ Reel Legal cap do
 3. 1 Reel letter paper
 4. 1 Reel Note do
 5. $\frac{1}{2}$ Reel assorted paper for test purposes ✓ *not sent*
 6. 50 sh Card blotters 19×24
 7. 2 doz oil pads 10×12 for letter books ✓ *not sent*
 8. $\frac{1}{2}$ doz do 10×14 do do ✓ *not sent*
 9. 1 doz do # 6 ✓
 10. 250 do # 5
 11. 250 do # $6\frac{1}{2}$ ✓ *not sent*
 12. 1000 do assorted for test purposes ✓
 13. 12 Gross # 11 Rubber bands
 14. 3 doz $\frac{1}{4}$ inch do
 15. 3 doz $\frac{1}{2}$ do do
 16. 3 doz # 9 Esterbrook Commercial pens
 17. 11 doz # 14 do Bank do
 18. 2 doz assorted for writing test letters ✓ *not sent*
 19. 3 Perry's Barrel pens # 7c
 20. $\frac{1}{6}$ doz ruling pens

1.	1/2 bu	Good Cast paper
2.	1/2 bu	Good Cast paper
3.	1 bu	Good Cast paper
4.	1 bu	Good Cast paper
5.	1/2 bu	Good Cast paper for cut paper
6.	500 lb	Good blotter 10x12
7.	2 1/2 bu	Oil for 10x12 for better books
8.	1/2 bu	Oil for 10x12 do do
9.	2 1/2 bu	# 6
10.	2 1/2 bu	# 5
11.	2 1/2 bu	# 4 1/2
12.	2 1/2 bu	Good Cast paper for cut paper
13.	2 1/2 bu	# 11 Rubber
14.	3 1/2 bu	Good Cast paper
15.	2 1/2 bu	Good Cast paper
16.	2 1/2 bu	# 9 Rubber
17.	1 1/2 bu	# 14
18.	2 1/2 bu	Good Cast paper for writing but better
19.	3	Good Cast paper for #10
20.	1 1/2 bu	Good Cast paper

San Francisco Cal Dec 1st

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- 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz Pen holders (Good)
- 21 $\frac{1}{4}$ doz Propelling pencils and penholders *not sent*
- 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ Gross Faber # 2 lead pencils
- 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz Blue } lead pencils
- 24 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz Red }
- 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz Green }
- 26 $\frac{1}{4}$ doz ink stands for office use
- 27 $\frac{1}{4}$ doz sponge cups & sponges
- 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz pencil & ink erasers
- 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz letter press copying books 10x12-600 pages
- 30 out do do book 10x14 do
- 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz. man. books
- 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz scratch books
- 33 500 McGill paper fasteners #2
- 34 2 lbs sealing wax.
- 35 $\frac{1}{4}$ doz. steel erasers

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20	1/2 doz	Pen holder (good)
21	1/4 doz	Profiling pencils and fountain
22	1/2 doz	John # 2 lead pencils
23	1/2 doz	Blue
24	1/2 doz	Red } lead pencils
25	1/2 doz	Green
26	1/2 doz	with stones for office use
27	1/2 doz	change cups and change
28	1/2 doz	brushes with stones
29	1/2 doz	letter from copying books 10x12-600 pages
30	1/2 doz	do do book 10x14 do
31	1/2 doz	various books
32	1/2 doz	various books
33	1/2 doz	Mr. Gille paper fasteners # 5
34	1/2 doz	binding wax.
35	1/2 doz	shell buttons

John Gille's 10c lot

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 forwarded to
 Capt G. L. Sharpe
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.
 For reference to Hon 2nd
 asst. Mr. General.

The recommendation
 made by Inspector Simp-
 son contemplates more
 service than exists. I
 am not prepared to say
 that a good road can
 be found from Alkali
 Station (on Northern
 Pac. RR) via Rockville
 Alex to Paddyville.
 but if there be one it
 would be much better
 to supply this office on
 the same route. I will
 investigate the matter

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 and report result of
 investigation.
 In the mean-
 time I would advise
 that no change be
 made.

and refusal - result of
investigation
for the reason
these I would advise
that no change be
made

forwarded to
Capt. J. B. Clark
Chief of Ordnance
Washington D.C.
for reference to the Ordnance
and Artillery General.
The recommendation
on the subject of
the Ordnance
is not proposed to say
that a good word can
be found - your object
is to show that the
Ordnance is not
in a position to
supply the office on
the same scale as
the Ordnance

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Capit Alphonse
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, DC

Sir:

Your notice of the transfer of Inspectors Simpson, ^{and} the failure of Inspector Small to report is leaving me very short handed. Can you help me out?

If you can send me a good man in place of Simpson, ^{and} I can get Small, I think I can keep the work on the coast in hand, I certainly will try very hard to do so.

Of course you understand that poor McLaughley is not able to do anything at all, so unless I have help I am liable to get "swamped".

I know you will help me out if you can, ^{and} hope you will see your way clear to do so.

Journal

Oct. 21st

Post Office
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, DC

Dear Sir:

Your notice of the transfer of Inspectors
the Inspectors, and the failure of Inspectors
to report is leaving me very
doubtful. Can you help me
out?

If you can send me a good man
in place of Inspectors, and I can get
doubtful, I think I can help the work
on the report in hand, I certainly
will try very hard to do so.

Of course your understanding
that fact is forgotten is not odd to
be surprising but all, so unless I have
help I am liable to get "overwhelmed".
I know you will help me
out if you can, and hope you will
see your way clear to do so.

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I have more territory than any
other Inspector and really but four
men to do the work. I cannot
keep it up with so small a force.

Very respectfully

Inspector

I have more territory than any
 other hunter and really but few
 mammals in the world. I have
 nearly all the mammals of the
 very northern part
 of the continent

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Capt. T. L. Sharp
Chief P. S. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

This office is very nearly out of voucher
books for Inspectors and I would respect-
fully ask that we be furnished with
the same.

Very respectfully
Chas. L. ...
Inspector

Dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named subject.

Yours truly,
J. P. Starks
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

This office is very nearly out of order
books for inspection and I would respect-
fully ask that you be furnished with
a copy.

Very respectfully,
J. P. Starks
Chief of Police

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Capt A. L. Sharph
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter from Wm L. Warren late Postal Clerk on Northern Pacific R.R. between Miles City and Helena, Mont. to Hon. W. B. Thompson's Genl. Inq't. R.M.S. is respectfully returned and attention invited to report of Inspectors Cameron and Robinson under date of Nov. 27 which was forwarded to your office on Nov. 27th. That report, it seems to me, has done Mr Warren no injustice - as according to his own statement he has been guilty of conduct which certainly unfits him for the position of Postal Clerk. About the only difference between the statements made by the Inspectors and those made by Mr Warren is, that the "woman" took the

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Chief of Inspection
Washington D.C.
Sept 10 1892

Dear Sir:
The enclosed letter from Mr. A. Morrison
late Postal Clerk on the Western Pacific
A. A. Morrison, Miles City, Montana, West
is from Mr. A. Morrison, Chief Clerk.
A. A. Morrison is respectfully returned and other
then invited to report of inspection
Morrison and Morrison under date of
Nov. 17 which was forwarded to you
office on Nov. 27th. That report, it seems
to me, has done Mr. Morrison no injury
tie - according to his own statement
he has been guilty of conduct which
certainly merits him for the position
of Postal Clerk. About the only differ-
ence between the statements made by
the Inspector and those made by Mr.
Morrison is, that the "Morrison" took the

jewelry ~~from his pocket~~ instead of his giving it to her as stated by them.

He does not deny finding the jewelry in the mail; and whether he found it there or not, the fact remains that he took it to a house of prostitution and there disposed of it. Such men do not make safe Postal Clerks and should not be allowed in the service and I am inclined to think that the suspension of Mr. Warren has been to him an act of kindness rather than injustice.

The Inspectors gave him credit for telling the truth and in endeavoring to conceal nothing, and believed that he could not be convicted of a crime but they did believe that his conduct in regard to this jewelry warranted his suspension and in that belief I fully concur. I think their report will fully satisfy Genl. Supt. Thompson that Mr. Warren has not been unfairly dealt with in this case.

Very respectfully
G. L. Thompson
Inspector

I have ventured to think that the
 expression of Mr. Hoar's has been to
 him an act of kindness rather than
 a reproach. I am inclined to think that the
 and should not be allowed in the service
 such men do not make safe postal clerks
 of prostitution and there disposed of it
 when in that he took it to a house
 he found it there or not, the fact
 the journey in the mail; and whether
 the words not being fitting
 giving it to her as stated by them.
 proved from the fact instead of his

The Trustees have been
 for taking the trust and in endeavoring
 to cover the trust, and believed that
 he could not do so without of course
 but they did believe that his conduct
 in regard to this property was correct
 his explanation and in this belief
 fully correct. I think their report
 will fully satisfy the Trustees of the
 that Mr. Johnson has not been unfairly
 treated in this case.

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Col. A. J. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, DC

Sir:

The enclosed letter from Postmaster
at St. Helena Cal. is respectfully for-
warded for reference to Sup't. Money order
System! That place is the great
wine producing country of California.
That portion of California is largely settled
by Germans, Swiss and Italians and where
there seems to be a necessity for Internation-
al money order business at that office.
You are perfectly familiar with
this matter and can represent to the
Sup't. Money order System the necessity
for that money order business at
St. Helena.

Very respectfully
Inspector

For the enclosed letter from Boston
at St. Helena is respectfully
referred for reference to Mr. May
Agent. That place is the great
olive producing country of California.
That portion of California is largely settled
by Germans, Swiss and Italians and there
seems to be a necessity for better water
and many other business at that office.
From the perfectly favorable result
this matter and our reference to the
Chief. May give Agent the necessary
for other business at
St. Helena.

Very respectfully
Chief

Chief
Washington DC

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(Fray)

Dec. 5th 3

Capit A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter is respectfully returned with the statement that a full report of the robbery of the Gerald Nevada ^{Post Office} and the arrest and conviction of Frank Fray (Frey) the robber - was given in the report I returned on said case Nov 27th, which you have doubtless received before this. I will state however that on Oct. 29/83 Fray was convicted and on Nov. 3/83 was sentenced to two years in Nevada State Prison subject to removal by order of Attorney General.

Very respectfully
Chas. W. S.
Inspector

(Gray)

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Post Office
Chief Clerk
Washington D.C.

The enclosed letter is respectfully returned
with the statement that a full report
of the robbery of the General. ^{London} ~~General~~ ^{General} ~~General~~
has the receipt and consideration of your
Gray (Gray) the matter - was given in
the report. I returned an oral case
to you at which you have doubtless
examined before this. I will state how
soon that - on Oct 20/83 Gray was con-
sidered and on Nov 2/83 was sentenced to
two years in Ontario State Prison
subject to removal by order of Attorney
General.

Very respectfully
John W. Gray
Chief Clerk

San Francisco 11/10
 Chief O. O. Granger
 Washington, D. C.
 Respected Mr. Granger
 I have the honor to acknowledge
 the receipt of your letter of the 10th
 inst. in relation to the party
 mentioned in the same. I am
 sorry to hear that the party
 mentioned in the same is
 still in the hands of the
 authorities. I am sure that
 they will be treated with
 the utmost consideration.

Very respectfully,
 O. O. Granger

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Capt. A. L. Sharp
Chief Post Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter from the postmaster at Tulture, Maricopa Co., Arizona is respectfully forwarded for the information of your office.

In view of the fact that the postmaster at Wickenburgh, Arizona fails to take charge of the Government property at Seymour, Arizona post office (discontinued) I have this day instructed the postmaster at Tulture Maricopa County, Arizona to obtain from late postmaster at said place or his assistant all Government property including mail key and to forward to this office and itemized list of such property together with said key.

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Chief of Police
Washington, D.C.

The enclosed letter from the post-
master at Tusculum, Tennessee,
is respectfully forwarded
for the information of your office.
In view of the fact that the
postmaster at Tusculum, Tennessee,
fail to take charge of the Government
property at Tusculum, Tennessee post-
office (discontinued) I have this day
instructed the postmaster at Tusculum
Tennessee County, Tennessee to obtain
from the postmaster at said place
his receipt for all Government
property including mail bags
to forward to this office and return
right list of such property together
with said bags.

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When same is received here it will
be promptly forwarded to you
in connection with these papers
for proper disposition.

Very respectfully,
Chas. L. Dyball
Inspector

Robert Curzon is mentioned here in connection
with the proposed formation of a
committee to inquire into the
affairs of the Indian Empire.

Very respectfully
Yours &c.
John Lubbock

Dec 1st 1876

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Wm. A. G. Sharp

Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

I enclose to you herewith a letter rec'd,
this morning from Inspector Simpson.
I have informed him that I have nothing
to do with regard to his transfer to the
Atlanta Ga. Dist. I ^{and} have requested
him to communicate directly with
your office in regard to that matter.
He states that he has a large number
of cases on hand which he has person-
ally investigated ^{and} desires to report
upon them before leaving. Of course
I am anxious for him to close as much
of his work as possible before leaving
but that is a matter for you to deter-
mine ^{and} I would ask you please to
inform him in regard to it.

Very respectfully
Simpson

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Wm. Lloyd Garrison
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the proposed publication of a new edition of the "Liberator." I am very glad to hear that you are preparing a new edition, and I am sure it will be a valuable addition to the literature of the cause. I have no objection to your publishing it, and I am sure it will be a great success. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Wm. Lloyd Garrison

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Capt. A. G. Sharps
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I would respectfully recommend that the service on route # 46159 from Truckee Cal. to Tahoe. be discontinued from November 1st to April 30th of each year.

My reasons for making above recommendation are - that during the winter months there ^{are} not more than from six to ten people residing at Tahoe and that office could be supplied by route # 46098 for those months. During the summer months there is necessity for the service but not during the winter months and as the route is through a section of country where the snows are very deep the service

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Post Office
Chief O.D. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have respectfully recommended
that the service on route # 46157
from St. Louis to St. Charles be
discontinued from November
1st to April 30th of each year.
My reasons for recommending above
recommendation are - that during
the winter months there are not
more than six to ten people residing
at St. Charles and that office could
be supplied by route # 4608
for those months. During the summer
months there is necessity for the
service but not during the winter
months and as the route is through
a section of country where the
trains are very fast the service

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can only - during a large portion of
the winter months be performed
on snow shoes and there is not
mail enough to warrant it as they
are sufficiently supplied by
route # 4609 & from Glenbrook
very respectfully

Chas. H. Wyckoff
Inspector

can only - during a large fraction of
 the winter months be performed
 our snow shoes and there is not
 trail enough to mount it on they
 are sufficiently supplied by
 route # 1000 from Glenbrook
 very respectfully
 Wm. A. B. B.

Wm. A. B. B.

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Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully recommend that a change of schedule be made on route # 46098 from Tahoe to Tahoe, Cal. - so as to leave Tahoe daily - except Sunday at 10 o'clock A.M. and arrive at 4 o'clock P.M. from May 1st to Oct 31st of every year.

My reasons for making the above recommendation are that the mail on route # 46159 from Truckee to Tahoe (Cal.) is by schedule made to arrive at Tahoe at 9³⁰ A.M. and should the boat leave at 9¹⁵ A.M. it would always miss this mail and compel it to lay over at Tahoe for 24 hours.

By comparison of the

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Washington D.C.
Chief of Post Office
Post Office

Dear Sir:
I would respectfully recommend that
a change of schedule be made on route
#4000 from Boston to Boston, Col. - so
as to leave Boston daily - except Sunday
at 10 o'clock A.M. and arrive at 10 o'clock
P.M. from May 1st to Oct 31st of every
year.

My reasons for making the above
recommendation are that the mail
on route #4000 from Boston to
Boston (Col.) is by schedule made to
arrive at Boston at 10 A.M. and
leave the boat house at 12 A.M.
it would always miss the mail and
compel it to lay over at Boston
for 24 hours.
By comparison of the

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schedules of the two named routes
you will perceive that the leaving
time of the one is 15 minutes
earlier than the arrival of the
mail on the other.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Lybourn
Inspector

schedule of the two named routes
 you will perceive that the leaving
 time of the one is 15 minutes
 earlier than the arrival of the
 mail on the other

Very respectfully
 Wm. A. B. B. B.
 President

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Dec. 13th 3

Capt A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully inform you
 that the postmaster at San Luis-
 Obispo, Cal. reports that on evening
 of Dec. 9th /83 his office was entered
 by some party - unknown as yet - and
 the following Reg. Packages taken. viz

No 57 Lompoc. Cal. to San Francisco

" 64 Cayucos " to New York

" 165 San Luis Obispo " to Modesto, Cal.

" 163 do " to Washington^{D.C.}

" 9 Santa Ynez. Cal. to San Francisco

" 56. Lompoc. Cal. to Watsonville, Cal.

" 24 Ballard Cal. to San Fran.

" 11 Childs " to do

" 12 do " " Gilroy Cal.

" 114 Santa Maria Cal. to San Fran.

All the Inspectors are at present out

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2000. 1300

Post Office
Chief Clerk
Washington D.C.

All the duplicates are at present out
114 Santa Maria Cal. to San Juan
" 12 " " " " " " " "
" 11 Childs " " " " " " " "
" 24 Ballard Cal. to San Juan.
" 20 Louisa Cal. to Watsonville
" 9 Santa Cruz Cal. to San Juan
" 163 do do Washington
" 162 San Luis Obispo " to Modesto Cal.
" 64 Copiers " to Thompson
The 27 Louisa Cal. to San Juan
the following Rep. Packages taken. viz
by courier party - unknown as yet - and
of Sec. pt. / 23 his office was entitled
Obispo, Colo request that on receiving
that the packetmaster at San Luis -
should respectfully inform you

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ion other important cases - will
send some one down as soon as
possible. In the mean time please
have cases made up ^{and} forwarded
here.

Very respectfully
Wm. B. Smith
Inspector

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your other important cases - will
 send some one down as soon as
 possible. In the mean time please
 have cases made up & forwarded
 here.

Very respectfully
 Charles

700.00 Registered case

Dec. 18th 3

Capt. A. G. Thayer,
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I forward herewith papers in case of alleged rifling of Reg. letter # 6757 in Reg. Pckge # 4300 sent by B. Levi # 21 Sansome Str. San Francisco, Cal., on 11/17/83 to B. Levinger # 100 Chatham Str. New York City - alleged contents \$4000.

I have personally investigated this case at this end of the route and am of the opinion that no rifling occurred. The letter purporting to contain the \$4000 was written on a Sunday and Mr. Levi claims to have enclosed the money at time of writing - but the letter was not mailed until following Monday about noon and as stated was not sealed by him until time of mailing.

You are requested to

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Wm. A. D. D. D.
 Chief of Department
 Washington, D.C.

His

of course I have been with papers in case of
 college rising of Reg. letter # 677 in
 Reg. letter # 100 sent by O. D. # 21
 to O. D. # 100 letter # 100
 York City - alleged contents # 100.
 I have personally investigated
 this case at the end of the route
 now of the opinion that no rising
 occurred. The letter purporting
 to contain the 100 was written on
 a Thursday and was claimed to
 have reached the money at time
 of writing - but the letter was not
 received until following Monday
 about noon and on stated was not
 sealed by him until time of writing

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The Registered letter Envelope (herewith) bears no evidence whatever of any tampering. ^{and} after carefully interrogating Mr. Levi - I am satisfied the money was never enclosed - or if really enclosed by him, was received by party addressed.

The letter in question was forwarded from San Francisco, Cal., together with 13 others - under same Reg. Package. ^{and} was sent in a Thro. Reg. Pouch direct to New York City. ^{so} that there was no possible opportunity of tampering with either of them in transit. Besides the other 13 seem to have reached destination in tact. - at least no complaint has been made to the contrary. I think a close examination of the letter envelope here - with will convince your office that no rifling occurred. The papers in the case are respectfully forwarded for such disposition as you may see proper.

Very respectfully
Chas. L. Lybock.
Inspector

The registered letter envelope (herewith)
contains no evidence whatever of any
tampering and after carefully inspecting
it I am satisfied it
was never opened - or if
really opened by him, was received
by party addressed.

The letter in question was
forwarded from San Francisco, Cal.
together with 12 others - under same
cover. It was sent in a box.
The Government to New York City.
As that there was no possible
opportunity of tampering with
either of them in transit. Besides
the fact is seen to have reached
destination in fact - at least no
suspicion has been made to the
contrary. I think a close examination
of the letter envelope here -
which will convince your office
that no tampering occurred. The paper
in the case was respectfully forwarded
to for such investigation as you may
deem proper.

Wm. L. Gifford
San Francisco

"Black Bart the P.O.S."

enc. 2000

Dec. 20th 3

Capit. A. G. Sharps
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed - relative to the claim of Harry N. Morse - for the sum of \$2000 as a reward for the arrest of Charles E. Boles alias Charles E. Bolton alias "Black Bart the P.O.S." is herewith respectfully returned with the report that Mr. Morse is justly entitled to the full credit for the arrest and also to the reward - if it be decided that the conviction of Boles - alias Bolton &c. for a robbery of the stage - by the State Courts, entitles him to the same. Boles was arrested on Nov. 12/83 at San Francisco, Cal., on a charge of robbing the stage three miles from Crockeropolis, Cal., on Nov. 3rd last and pleaded guilty to the charge - being sentenced on Nov. 19/83 to a term of

"Black But the 9th"

on 10/12/23

Dec 2023

Prof. C. P. Black
Chief O. T. Black
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir

The enclosed - relative to the claim of
Henry W. Moore - for the sum of \$2000 - is
submitted for the account of Charles F. Bole
alias Charles F. Bolton alias "Black But
the 9th" is herewith respectfully returned
with the report that Mr. Moore is justly
entitled to the full credit for the amount
and also to the reward - if it be decided
that the conviction of Bole - alias Bolton
is for a robbery of the stage - by the
State Court, within time to the same.
Bale was arrested on 10/12/23 at
San Francisco, Cal. on a charge of
robbing the stage there mailed from
San Francisco, Cal. on 10/12/23 and last
and placed guilty to the charge - being
sentenced on 10/12/23 to a term of

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Six years in the California State Prison
at San Quentin, Cal.

Of all the robberies he committed
this was the only one in which the
officers believed they had sufficient
evidence to secure a conviction and bring
confronted with the evidence, he con-
cluded to plead guilty. He denied
all other crimes until after conviction
and sentence, when he admitted having
committed the robberies enumerated
on the enclosed list - Twenty Eight in
number and it will be seen that in
every other instance the mails were
robbed.

I was absent to Oregon when this
trial was had, and only learned of his
arrest and conviction upon my return
and I wish to state right here that,
in my judgment, he is guilty of
robberies not enumerated on enclosed
list. A thief never confesses to more
than he is guilty of - generally to less.
I make mention of this, as other
robberies have been committed during
the time that this man was at large

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Of all the robberies he committed
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and by his own confession he was in the country near to where it was done at the time.

Mr Morse is of the opinion that evidence cannot be procured - should he refuse to plead guilty, to convict him was any of the other robberies. There is no question as to his identity as being the genuine and original "Black Bart the P.O.S." charged by the P.T. Dept. with having committed all of the robberies therein mentioned, and his arrest by Mr Morse has made the mails on the stage routes more secure, and the reward is but a small remuneration for the capture of a thief of this kind. I regret very much that he was not charged under Section #1238. A.D. and convicted, but as the evidence against him is only in this one case good, he was not indicted for mail robbery.

The facts above given will enable the Department to decide upon the merits of this case. If this reward can be paid to Mr Morse, I think it should be done, as there lies the hope

and by his own confession he was in the
 country near to where it was done at
 the time.
 Mr. Moore is of the opinion that no
 more count be furnished - should be
 refuse to plead guilty, to commit him
 on any of the other matters. There
 is no question as to his identity as
 being the genuine and original Black
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 kind. I repeat very much that he was
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 him is only in this one case good.
 he was not indicted for anything.
 The facts above given will
 enable the Government to decide upon
 the merits of this case. If this removal
 can be paid to Mr. Moore, I think it
 should be done, as there has been the late

of securing other robbers and the reward
paid by the Government, has in many
cases been the incentive of civil
officers to work to secure an arrest.

Very respectfully

Inspector

San Francisco 12/2

Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Inspector Small has investigated
charges against Simpson & tele-
graphs that he is unable to find
anyone who can substantiate
same & is of the opinion
that they are false. Full
report by mail upon his
arrival here.

Albert Seybold
Inspector

of securing action not less and the removal
frail by the Government, has in many
cases shown the incentive of civil
officers to work to secure an arrest.

Very respectfully
Charles

Don Francisco 1/2

Chief of the
Washington, D.C.

I repeat myself
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Case No. 1111

Geo. E. Seybolt
P.O. Inspector

Office of Post Office Inspector

-P.O. Department-

San Francisco, Cal. Dec. 27 1883

Capit. A. G. Sharp,
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed report from Inspector Small, relative to charges against Inspector Simpson at Portland, Oregon is respectfully forwarded in connection with telegrams previously sent you.

Inspector Small made a thorough investigation of the charges and was unable to obtain any information from any person in Portland that would substantiate the charges made against Inspector Simpson and believes them to be malicious. The enemies of Inspector Simpson as well as his friends all agree that the charges cannot be true and it is hardly possible that he could have been drunk and kicked from a public saloon in Portland without some person having information of the fact. &c. very respectfully

Inspector

Office of Post Office Inspector
Washington, D.C.
Sept 27 1881

Post Office Inspector
Chief of Post Office
Washington, D.C.

The enclosed report from Inspector
Small, relative to charges against
Inspector Bishop at Portland, Oregon
is respectfully forwarded in connection
with the report previously sent you.
Inspector Small makes a thorough
investigation of the charges and was un-
able to obtain any information from
any person in Portland that would
substantiate the charges made against
Inspector Bishop and believe them to
be unfounded. The review of Inspector
Bishop as well as his friends all
agree that the charges cannot be
true and it is hardly possible that he
could have been so much and tricked
from a public station in Portland
without some person having information
of the fact.
Very respectfully
Inspector

Charges against Inspector Simpson

San Francisco, Cal. Dec. 27th 3.

George L. Seyboet Esq.
P.O. Inspector
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In addition to report sent you by telegraph, result of investigation of charges of drunkenness &c. preferred against Inspector Simpson, at Portland Oregon, I have the honor to submit the following statement:

On receiving your telegraph to investigate the charges referred to, I called upon several of the prominent merchants, Lawyers, & others of the town of Portland, viz: Messrs Doeph & Brannough.

George H. Williams.

H. H. Northrup.

G. Senator Williams

Chas. Doeds. of Doeds & Co.

J. H. Arnold of the firm of Hodge Davis & Co.

John R. Williams of the firm of St. John & Co.

Charles Augustus Lusk

San Francisco, Cal. Dec. 7.

George F. Lusk Esq.
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:
In answer to your letter of the 2nd inst. regarding the proposed telegraph line between San Francisco and the coast, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst. and to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.

John W. Lusk
San Francisco, Cal.
Dec. 7, 1850

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~~others~~ who have known Mr. Simpson
 for several years; On questioning them
~~about~~ Mr. Simpson's habits &c. the unanimous
 answer was that, while Mr. Simpson
 was by no means a teetotaler, no one
 could say they ever saw him the
 worse of drink. As to the charge of
 drunkenness it was simply repudiated
 that Mr. Simpson was never seen
 in such a condition, nor did they
 ever hear of him being "kicked out
 of a saloon". Mr. Knott, one of the
 gentlemen in whom I relied, is owner
 of the Ferry over which Mr. Simpson
 passes daily, to and from his office.
 He (Mr. Knott) informed me that he
 has known Mr. Simpson for many
 years, has frequently seen and talked
 with him on the ferry boat, late and
 early, but in all these years he has
 never seen him under the influence
 of liquor. The charge that, he was "kicked
 out of a saloon" is also confounded.
 In fact every one to whom I put the
 question seemed quite surprised

Question becomes quite surprising
to find every one talking about the
out of a balance, a full confidence.
of religion. The change that has taken
over even this much the influence
carried out in our own hands
will find in the very best. Indeed
generally, the frequently seen and
the human mind is in many
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has been carried to our minds
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and remarked that if there had been any truth in the charges made they would certainly have known or heard something of them.

Mr. Simpson evidently has some enemies who through malicious misanthropism, have tried to do him an injury -

I am satisfied that the charges are false and without foundation and respectfully recommend that no further action be taken in the matter.

Very Respectfully
Jas. A. Small
P. O. Inspector

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and remember that if there has
been any truth in the charges were
they would certainly have known
or have some knowledge of them.

Mr. Thompson consistently
some business with the government
conventions, have tried to do this
an injury -

Some satisfaction that the
charges are false and without foundation
and especially recommend that
no further action be taken in the
matter.

Wm. Thompson
J. Thompson
J. Thompson

Dec 20th 1879

Geo. L. Saybolt

Personal

San Francisco 12/29 3

Capt. A. G. Sharps

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter from Inspector Small is respectfully forwarded to you in explanation of telegram sent you this day.

Inspector Small arrived here, a few days since - sick and has been so ever since. This morning he was taken with a severe chill and thinks that no person, but his own physician in Philadelphia can do him any good. Of course he thinks that knowing him to be unfit for service at present time I thought it advisable to ask that leave-of-absence be granted him for thirty (30) days. His leaving and Dickinson

See me in 1870

Genl. Dyer

General

Don Francisco 1870 3

Colt. A. J. Smith
Chief of Department
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed letter from Dr. Dyer
is respectfully forwarded to
you in satisfaction of the request
that you this day.
Dr. Dyer's small arrival
here, a few days since - with
him as your sister. This morning
he was taken with a severe chill
and thinks that no person, but his
own physician in Philadelphia
can do him any good. Of course
he thinks that he is seriously
to be kept for some at present
time & thought it advisable to
ask that leave of absence be
granted him for about (30) days.
His loving and affectionate

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going East (from Portland) leaves
my work in rather bad shape
as I have several very important
"C" cases which I intended to give
to him (Small) for investigation, but
will now be compelled to give
them to some of the other Agents
who already have more work than
they can properly attend to.

I will however do the best
I can with the force I now have,
but if you can give me temporary
help without injury to other
Divisions, I would be glad to have
it. I am rather inclined to think
that Small would be better off
in this climate than East, but he
thinking otherwise, I do not wish
to do anything which might appear
as an opposition to his wishes.

Very respectfully
J. G. S. Lybott
Inspector

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 to him (Donald) for investigation but
 will now be compelled to give
 them to some of the other agents
 who already have more work than
 they can properly attend to.
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 but if you can give me temporary
 help without giving to other
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 in this climate than I, but the
 thinking otherwise, I do not wish
 to do anything which might appear
 as an opposition to his wishes.
 Very respectfully
 Wm. Lloyd Garrison

San Francisco Cal. Dec 29 '9

General Seybold Esq.
 P.O. Inspection
 San Francisco Cal.

Dear Sir:-

On account of ill health
 I am compelled to ask that leave
 of absence be granted me for 30 days
 to enable me go East and place
 myself under the treatment of a
 Physician who has known me for
 years and thoroughly understands
 my case. Having already treated
 me successfully for the same affliction.
 viz: Liver Complaint and affection
 of the bowels.

I feel that I can be of
 no use to you or the Service in my
 present condition, in fact I am
 utterly unfit to transact any kind
 of business, and earnestly pray
 that my request may be granted
 to take effect from January 1st 1890.

To the Honorable
 the President of the Senate
 of the United States
 at the City of Washington
 Dear Sir:
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 John C. Calhoun

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This is the first time I have asked
for leave of absence, since entering
the service, nor would I ask if I
did not immediately comply with

Very Respectfully
Jas. Smith
Attest

Dec. 30th 3

Hon. E. Seybolt, Esq.

I. O. Inspector,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir,

On the 11th instant I received a telegram requesting me to go at once to Livingston, Montana, for the purpose of testifying that W. J. Henderson, alias Steedman, alias Scott arrested by Deputy U. S. Marshal Hathaway at Missoula and whose identity had been discovered by Superintendent Jameson, was not the person whom he claimed and represented himself to be, namely, I. O. Inspector W. J. Henderson. The telegram was sent by the postmaster at Livingston in accordance with instructions of Justice of the Peace J. H. Cudlong before whom was pending the case of the Territory of Montana against W. J. Henderson. At the time of receiving it I was confined to the house in consequence of having contracted a severe cold at Morgan, Utah, but on inquiry by telegraph elicited the answer that the testimony

Dec. 30. 1862

Wm. H. Thompson, Esq.
J. O. Thompson, Esq.
Geo. E. Thompson, Esq.

On the 11th instant I received a telegram requesting me
to go at once to Washington, D.C., for the purpose of tes-
tifying that W. H. Thompson, alias Abraham Lincoln, was not
by Deputy W. H. Thompson, at Washington, D.C., and was
identically the same person as the Superintendent of the
Prison, whom he claims and represents himself to be, namely,
W. H. Thompson, Esq. The telegram was sent
by the Postmaster at Washington in accordance with instructions
of the Secretary of the War, J. M. Schofield, before whom was pending
the case of the Secretary of the War against W. H. Thompson.
At the time of receiving it I was confined to the house in
consequence of having contracted a severe cold at Oregon, Utah,
and on reaching by telegraph elicited the answer that the testimony

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Of myself or some other person personally knowing J. O. Inspector W. S. Henderson was absolutely needed to sustain the charge of "obtaining money under false pretences" preferred against the prisoner, I started the following morning for Livingston.

At Deer Lodge I found a copy of the Helena Daily "Herald" containing the enclosed account of the arrest of the inspector, and felt very much annoyed at the barefaced manner in which the mendacious rascal described what the newspaper mentioned, was pleased to publish as "his meeting with me at Missoula while I was engaged in searching for him."

Knowing that with the assistance of police officer Scully and postmaster Dickinson's brother, I had closely observed every stranger in Missoula from the time I arrived at 6 o'clock, p. m. October 26th until departing westward at 2 o'clock the following afternoon, it seemed a certainty that no such meeting took place.

With this consciousness and feeling that for the credit of the Service and my own reputation as a man of ordinary intellectual capacity (which I am vain enough to claim amongst my predecessors) I resolved to avail myself of the most effective means in my power in accomplishing if possible the complete and utter dis-

of myself or some other person personally knowing J. D.
 Inspector W. C. Anderson was absolutely unable to sustain
 the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses
 against the prisoner. I stated the following morning for
 the Inspector. At New York I found a copy of the
 "Herald" containing the enclosed account of the
 arrest of the prisoner, and felt very much surprised at the
 language in which the transaction was described
 what the newspaper contained, was pleased to find in his
 meeting with me at Anderson's office I was engaged in hand-
 ling for him. Throwing that with the assistance of
 former officer Kelly and Inspector Anderson, brother, I
 had closely observed every stranger in Anderson's room the
 time I arrived at 10 o'clock. P. M. October 26th until 10th.
 during the following afternoon, it being
 a certainty that no such meeting took place. With this
 conversation and feeling that for the credit of the Service and
 my own reputation as a man of ordinary intelligence capable
 (which I am vain enough to claim amongst my fellowmen) of
 endeavoring to avoid myself of the most effective means in my
 power in accomplishing if possible the complete and utter dis-

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Confidence of the audacious mountebank and fraud whose performances had proved so annoying to the public and so expensive to the Government by reason of the amount of time which Inspector Robinson and myself had spent in our unsuccessful search for him. Arriving at

Livingston at 2 o'clock Saturday morning the 15th inst. I registered at the Merchants Hotel under the name "R.B. Burton". At 9 o'clock same morning I called at

the City jail and under the name "Wm. H. McLaughlin" of Bozeman, Montana, asked permission to visit W. C. Henderson then confined as a prisoner. I was ad-

mitted by the jailer and upon appearing in presence of the inspector and noticing by the expression of his eyes that he failed to instantly recognize me and also that it was the first time in my life I had ever looked in the face of the man before me, I at once applied myself to the consummation of the scheme, desperate though it appeared, which caused me to visit the prisoner.

I informed him that I was the junior member of the (imaginary) firm of McLaughlin and Lawlor, Attorneys at Law, Bozeman, and that as I would be in town for

at San Francisco, and that as I would be in town for
(consequently) from of Mr. Lapham and Lander, Attorney
I informed him that I was the junior member of the
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in the face of the man before me, I at once applied
it was the first time in my life I had ever looked
that he failed to instantly recognize me and also that
the inspector was waiting by the expression of his eyes
written by the father and upon appearing in presence of
Henderson then confessed as a prisoner.
I was at
of Boggs, Mr. Lander, asked permission to visit W. B.
the City Jail and under the name "W. B. Lapham".
At 9 o'clock I was waiting I called at
I registered at the Merchant Hotel under the name "W. B.
Princeton at 2 o'clock Saturday morning the 10th inst.
in our unsuccessful search for him.
Arriving at
their relief Inspector Johnson and myself had spent
reference to the Government by reason of the amount of
Government has feared to surrender to the public and the
constitutes of the American Mountebank and fraud whose per-

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a few days on other matters of professional business I was willing, if he desired it, to take charge of his case, and that I would not expect to receive any pecuniary compensation unless I succeeded in securing his discharge.

My offer was promptly accepted but having no witness to prove the fact publicly or in Court, I was obliged to obtain from my "client", of his own volition and in presence of responsible witnesses, his verbal or written instructions recognizing me as Mr. Laughlin.

As an official report is not supposed to embrace a record of dramatic scenes and incidents I beg to state that the enclosed article, cut from the "Livingston Enterprise" of the 18th instant, fully describes the main facts of the case and the methods which I was forced to adopt in demonstrating to the public the true character of the seemingly polite and high toned gentleman, Henderson.

This article also shows that Henderson is held in the sum of one thousand (\$1000) dollars and in default of which he will be confined in jail at Wazeman until the next coming session of the grand jury in June 1884.

Henderson acknowledge to me, as his attorney, that Inspector "Jim" Stuart, as he said,

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a few days or other matters of professional business I was willing, if he desired it, to take charge of his case, and that I would not object to receive any pecuniary compensation unless I succeeded in securing his discharge.

My offer was promptly accepted but having no other means to prove the fact truthfully or in Court, I was obliged to obtain from my "client," of his own volition and in presence of respectable witnesses, his verbal or written instructions regarding me as Mr. Campbell.

As an official report is not supposed to embrace a record of dramatic scenes and incidents I beg to state that the enclosed article cut from the "San Francisco Enterprise" of the 18th instant, fully describes the main facts of the case and the methods which I was forced to adopt in demonstrating to the public the true character of the seemingly false and high toned gentleman, Henderson.

That Henderson is held in the sum of one thousand (\$1000) dollars and in default of which he will be confined in jail at San Francisco until the next coming session of the Court. Henderson acknowledges to me, as his attorney, that "San Francisco," as he said, "is in Jones' hands."

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would be likely to "snick" him as he, Stuart, had in his possession a requisition for him from the Governor of Louisiana and that they, meaning the authorities in Louisiana, had offered \$2500 reward for his arrest.

I did not deem it wise or discreet to question my "Client" too closely in regard to his antecedents lest my anxiety in this direction might jeopardize if not entirely spoil my just case in Court; but it is my opinion that the fellow merely indulged his morbid vanity by endeavoring to create the impression or belief that as a Criminal and Confidence operator he was considered as being worth a reward of \$2500 dollars. It would

be advisable, however, that a communication from your office be sent to Inspector Stuart requesting the receipt of such information as he may be able to furnish in regard to this inspector and that if possible he, Stuart, or some other competent person be required to visit Bogerman and determine whether or not my "Client" is the same Bogus inspector, Confidence man and thief who, I understand, was convicted and sentenced in Michigan some few years ago. In closing this report I deem it

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 his possession a registration for him from the Governor
 of Louisiana and that they, assuming the authorities in
 Louisiana, has offered \$2500 reward for his arrest.
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 my "agent" too closely in regard to his antecedents but
 was content in this direction might perhaps if not
 entirely "blow" my point case in Court, but it is my
 opinion that the fellow merely mislabeled his marks with
 an endeavoring to create the impression or belief that as a
 criminal and confidence operator he was concerned in
 being worth a reward of \$2500 dollars.
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 be sent to Inspector Stuart requesting the receipt of such
 information as he may be able to furnish in regard to
 this inspector and that if possible be, Stuart, or some
 other confidential person be required to visit Bogerman
 and determine whether or not my "agent" is the same
 person suspected, confidence man and thief who, I sus-
 spect, was convicted and sentenced in Michigan some
 four years ago. In closing this report I deem it

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proper to state that Justice Dandlog rendered me every assistance which the proprieties of his office permitted and that his just, fearless and painstaking manner of dealing with the case of the vicious mountebank Henderson has elicited the strongest praise from the public in Montana.

I also deem it proper to mention that very valuable services were rendered me by Gen. Arkney and Prof. Cary both of Des Moines, Iowa, and who happened to arrive in town just at a most opportune moment.

Those two gentlemen kindly complied with my wishes by calling upon Henderson in the jail and fortunately he recognized Prof. Cary, the moment that gentleman entered the jail, as Inspector Dannemann and Gen. Arkney as Inspector Seybolt.

Gen. Arkney is a warm friend and admirer of Postmaster General Croghan and cheerfully did everything in his power to assist me in proving the mendacious character of the prisoner.

When himself and Prof. Cary entered the jail my "client" was permitted to see, accidentally (?), an official envelope addressed to me as post office Inspector and when Prof. Cary, from whose coat pocket it protruded, asked the question: "Well, Henderson,

I have to state that Justice Darling rendered me every
 assistance which the facilities of his office permitted
 me that his first, general and preliminary manner of
 dealing with the case of the various mounted men
 has elicited the strongest praise from the public in New
 York. I also deem it proper to mention that
 very valuable services were rendered me by Gen. Anthony
 and Prof. Carr, both of the House, Senate, and
 House of Representatives in their first of a most effec-
 tive movement. These two gentlemen thought com-
 plete with my wishes by calling upon Henderson in
 the fair and fortunately he recognized Prof. Carr, the
 movement that gentleman entered the fair, as expected
 Henderson and Gen. Anthony as expected objects.
 Gen. Anthony is a warm friend and admirer of
 Southern General Sherman and cheerfully did everything
 in his power to assist me in having the necessary
 character of the fair. When himself and Prof.
 Carr entered the fair my "hint" was permitted to be
 essentially (!) an officer capable of service to me as
 first officer objects and when Prof. Carr, from whom
 I got pocket it printed, asked the question: "Well, Henderson,

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do you know me? he, my client, cried out with a sneering laugh: "Oh h. - Dummerman I've known you longer than you have any idea of!" Gen. Anthony was introduced as Mr. Jones of Chicago and performed his part in excellent style, my "client" immediately recognizing him as Inspector Seybolt - "the old man of the Rockies".

Postmaster Wright, Cashier Lane, Merchant Wagy, Cashier Ward, and other citizens of Livingston whom Henderson deceived and victimized, were present in Court when his "Attorney Mr. Laughlin" went back on him" and, feeling that they had as it were paid for their laugh in advance, they for a time were slow to obey the Judge's vigorous rapping and cries of order! order!! when the vain glorious and cheeky impostor sprawled, figuratively speaking, in the dust before them after the style of the "Crushed Gage-dign".

Respectfully,
J. H. Dummerman,
Inspector.

P.S. Both Gen. Anthony and Prof. Cary desire that their connection with the case be considered Confidential.

the other three men? he, my friend, came out with a new
 and laugh, "Oh to - Government. Give them your paper
 then you know my idea of!"
 was introduced as Mr. Jones of Chicago and performed
 his part in excellent style, my "least immediately"
 recognizing him as Charles Webster - the old com-
 of the "Backs".
 Albrecht Hopp, Charles Ward, and other citizens of
 Springfield whom Webster seemed well acquainted, were
 present in Court when his "Attorney Mr. Laughlin" went
 back on him" and, feeling that they had on it were
 fair for their laugh in advance, they for a time
 were slow to obey the Judge's vigorous railing and
 cry of order! order!! when the main plowing and
 chesty impetus appeared, figuratively speaking, in
 the dust before them after the style of the "Cavalier"
 "Baptist".
 The faithful.

J. J. Webb and Prof. Gay drove
 that their connection with the case be correct.

"Henderson"

Geo. S. Seybolt

San Francisco 1/7 4

Capit. A. G. Sharpe
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed papers, relative to the arrest of one J. W. Scott - alias W. H. Henderson alias S. H. Smith - who during the month of November last, was at different points in Montana personating P. O. Inspector Wm. S. Henderson - are respectfully forwarded for the information of your office. The enclosed report of Inspector Baumerman who was present at the examination of Henderson[?], which took place at Livingston, Mont., before J. St. Budlong Justice of the Peace, will fully explain to your office the result of the examination.

Scott, or Henderson (which he is pleased to say is his real name)

Washington

Geo. D. Bequest

Dear Friends

Post. O. F. Bequest
Chief of Department
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

The enclosed papers, relating to the case of one Wm. D. Bequest - alias Wm. D. Bequest - who during the month of November last, was at different points in Montana procuring O. F. Bequest Wm. D. Bequest - and respectfully forwarded for the information of your office. The enclosed report of Bequest Bequest was also present at the examination of Bequest, which took place at Livingston, Mont. before J. H. Bequest Justice of the Peace, were fully explained to your office the result of the examination.

Bequest, or Bequest (alias) is referred to you in this case

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was, in default of the sum of \$1000⁰⁰—
 committed for his appearance at the
 next term of the Territorial Court
 to be held at Boggs, Mont., in
 June next. This impostor was
 stopping over for a considerable time
 at Livingston, Mont., and there seems
 to have played upon the credulity
 of the citizens to quite a large extent
 and is believed to have obtained a
 considerable sum of money from
 different individuals there—more
 particularly from the postmaster
 and Mr. Loe, a Banker, and one or
 two others. As a matter of course
 those individuals do not seem
 anxious to state just how much
 money they invested with the
 stranger. He seems to have been
 a most successful Confidence
 man, and is believed to be an old
 offender once arrested by Inspe-
 ctor Stuart in Michigan for
 crimes committed there, and if
 I am not mistaken, is the same
 person who was personating

person who was forwarding
 some committed there, and if
 the threat in Michigan for
 offenders were answered by the
 man, and is believed to be an old
 or most successful confidence
 man. He seems to have been
 many they visited with the
 view to state just how much
 those individuals do not seem
 to others, or a matter of course
 and Webster, a Doctor, and one or
 particularly from the fact that
 different individuals there - some
 considerable sum of money from
 had is believed to have obtained a
 of the evidence to write a large volume
 to have played upon the credulity
 at Kingston, New York, and there seems
 nothing more for a considerable time
 from me. This inference was
 to be held at Kingston, New York, in
 next town of the Territorial Court
 committed for his appearance at the
 now, in default of the sum of \$1000.

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Inspector Henderson in Iowa ^{and}
 other places in the East, previous
 to his arrest by Stuart.

The charge made against
 him in Montana is for obtaining
 money under false pretenses, ^{and}
 there seems to be but little doubt
 but what he will be convicted ^{and}
 justly punished for the offense.

He is safe for a time at least ^{and}
 will hardly give the Department
 more trouble for some time to come.

It has been reported to me that
 there is a requisition for him
 from the Governor of Louisiana
 but of this I know nothing more
 than what is contained in the
 enclosed letter from Inspector
 Stuart. It might be well however
 if such be the case, that proper
 steps be taken to secure this man
 in the event of a failure to convict
 by the Territorial Courts in Montana
 very respectfully

Inspector

I have been requested to see that
 there is a representation for him
 from the Governor of Louisiana
 but of this I know nothing more
 than what is contained in the
 enclosed letter from Chief Justice
 Marshall. It might be well however
 if we could see the case, that perhaps
 steps should be taken to secure this man
 in the event of a failure to comply
 by the Government with its promise
 very respectfully
 Chief Justice

It has been requested for the
 removal of the case to come
 will hardly give the Government
 this safe for a time at least
 greatly furnished for the purpose.
 but what he will be concerned
 there seems to be but little doubt
 money under false pretences, but
 him in Louisiana is for obtaining
 the change made against
 to his credit by Marshall.

Chief Justice Marshall in Louisiana
 under false pretences in the East, from

141508 B

Geo. L. Seybolt.

Personal San Francisco 1/7 4
 Capt. A. G. Sharps,
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I would respectfully ask to be informed whether or not the Department still pays a reward for the arrest of post-office robbers - (when convicted ^{and} sentenced) - as in the case of Frank Frey arrested by Thomas Hager Constable at Battle Mountain, Nevada on Aug. 16/83 for robbing the Gerald, Nevada post office on Aug. 15/83 of \$4300 worth stamps &c. Frey has since been convicted ^{and} sentenced to 2 years imprisonment. See report in case # 141508 B. returned Nov. 27/83. Stamps ^{and} all were recovered. If a reward can be paid in this case I would certainly recommend it.
 Very respectfully, Inspector

141108 D

Dr. J. D. Dugger

General

Colt. A. F. Dugger

Chief U.S. Marshal

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully ask to be in-
formed whether or not the de-
ment still has a record for the
month of last office month. (under
covered and secured) as in the
case of Frank Joy arrested by
Thomas Hagan Constable at Battle-
Mountain, Nevada on Aug. 16/83
for robbing the Gravel, Nevada post
office and Aug. 15/83 of \$1300 worth
diamonds. Joy has since been
recovered. and returned to 2 years
imprisonment. - for report in
case # 141108 D returned Nov. 27/83
Alaska and all now recovered. Of-
ficers and others in the case of
would certainly be very respectfully
sincerely

57348
 1-10-8

Geo L Seybolt.

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San Francisco 1/7 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D. C.

Sir:

Herewith I forward old mail key
 # 57348 from Mills Seminary, Cal,
 which was found by Postal Clerk
 Ostrander (of Sacto & San Fran. P. O.)
 in mail pouch received from
 Mills Seminary on his trip East
 Jan'y 2/84. The postmaster's atten-
 tion has been called to his care-
 lessness & he has also been reprim-
 anded for not returning the
 key long since. His explanation
 is herewith forwarded.

Very respectfully,

Inspector

Wm. # 2734
100 F

Great Britain

(A)

San Francisco 1/7

Chief of P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.
Sir:

Enclosed of forward old mail bag
2734 from Mills Brewery, Cal.
which was found by Postal Clerk
Peterson (of Dept of San Fran. P.O.)
in mail pouch received from
Mills Brewery on his trip East
Jan 2/94. The postmaster at
this has been called to his case -
however he has also been re-
sponsible for not returning the
baggage over the regular
in transit to London.

Very respectfully

Charles

L. C. R. O. X

Gen. L. C. R. O. X

San Francisco 1/7 4

Capit. A. Y. Thach
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D. C.

Sir:

The large amount of office work here makes it necessary to work more or less at night and we are compelled to do this at a great disadvantage for the want of proper light. A drop-light seems to be an absolute necessity and I would therefore respectfully ask that one be sent or that I be authorized to purchase one for use of this office.

The correspondence of this office is very heavy and it is not possible to do it all by day light. We usually have to light the gas as early as 5 o'clock P. M. and frequently do not leave the office until 9 o'clock P. M. If possible to give

1000
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Good Luck

(1)

San Francisco 1/7

Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Remained at forward old mail box
1000 from Wells Bureau, Cal.
which was found by Postal Clerk
Peterson (of Dept. of San Fran. P.O.)
in mail pouch received from
Wells Bureau on his trip East
Jan 24/94. The postmaster at
this has been called to his case -
however he has also been re-
sponsible for not returning the
pouch since the inspection
is made to forward.

Very respectfully

Chief

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us the light - you will do us a great
favor.

Very respectfully
Chas. Lytle
Inspector

Wm. # 2744
10/5/7

Good Shepherd

(A)

San Francisco 11/7

Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

After receipt of forwarded old serial copy
2744 from Mills Bureau, Cal.
which was found by Postal Clerk
Peterson (of Dept of San Fran. P.O.)
in mail pouch received from
Mills Bureau on his last Post
Jan 2/74. The postmaster at the
time has been called to his case -
therefore he has also been reprimanded
for not returning the
copy back to the postmaster
in accordance with instructions.

Very respectfully

Chapman

Loe Cox

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Geo. L. Seybolt

San Francisco 1/8 4

Capit. A. G. Thark
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Herewith I enclose to you copies
of "labor saving" blanks for use
of office. Please have one Thous
and (17M) of each printed as
there use saves much time and
generally more satisfactory replies
are obtained than by writing
letters, as the blank is returned -
letters not always.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Seybolt
Inspector

P.S. I am out of letter heads
sent request for some Dec 1-83.

12/12

12/12

Gen. T. S. B. B.

San Francisco 11/1

Colt. A. G. B. B.
Chief of D. T. B. B.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I enclose to you copies
of "Labor saving" blanks for use
of office. These have our stamp
and (100) of each printed on
them and are now much more
generally used satisfactory replies
are obtained than by writing
letters, as the blank is returned -
better not always.

Very respectfully
The T. S. B. B.
Inspector

P. S. I am out of letter heads
and request for some Dec 1-83.

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J. S. 17 196 12/6 1x

and if the statements made
by the postmaster at
Oxx are correct, the
distance is only one
mile greater from
Alkali than from
Blalock.

^{1/8}
referred to

Capt A. J. Sharp
Chief P. T. Inspector
Washington D. C.

In connection with
papers and report of Inspe-
ctor Simpson sent to your
office on Dec 1/83 bearing
upon change of routes
No 44199 from Blalock
to Alkali. The reasons
given for this change
are that Blalock is an
unimportant station
and that there is no real
necessity for a post office
there, while Alkali is
an important point.
It will be seen that
the distance will not
be increased to any
great extent by the
proposed change.

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Geo. L. Seybolt.

(4) San Francisco Jan. 9th 4

Capit. A. L. Shank
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D. C.

Sir:

I enclose herewith receipt signed by J. M. Levy, postmaster at Vulture, Maricopa Co. Arizona, for stamps, stamped Envelopes to the amount of \$14³⁹ - and Postal Fund \$1⁴⁰ which he received from the late postmaster at Seymour, Arizona (discond). I also enclose two mail keys i. e., # 63894 (O.S.) and # 2642 (N.S.) which were also recd. by Mr Levy from that office.

The above articles are forwarded to you in connection with my letter of Dec 10th last transmitting a letter from postmaster at Vulture, Arizona stating that the postmaster at Wickenburg, Arizona, had been instructed by the Department to take charge

10/10/2002

Geo. T. Bryant.

Don Francisco Juan de la

Washington D.C.
Chief of Post Office
Lat. 37. 20. 00

My Mr. Bay from that office.
and # 2543 (N.S.) which were also used
to also enclose two mail bags is # 63294 (O.S.)
Postmaster at Depue, Oregon (divisor)
\$1.40 which be received from the late
to the amount of \$1.40 - and Postal Fund
Co. Oregon, for stamps, stamped bonds
Bay, Postmaster at Culture, Missouri
I enclose herewith receipt signed by H.

by the Department to take charge
of the foreign, has been instructed
stating that the postmaster at Chicago
from postmaster at Baltimore, the
of Dec 10 last transmitting a letter
to you in connection with my letter
All above articles are forwarded
by express from that office.

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of the Government property at Seymour,
 Arizona, but failed to do so for the
 reason that it would incur expense
 for him to go Seymour for the purpose
 of receiving for the same, and that
 the postmaster at Seymour had left.
 In view of above facts I instructed
 the postmaster at Vulture, Arizona
 to take charge of the supplies &c,
 and to send to this office the keys to-
 gether with an itemized list of what
 was received by him, all of which
 he has done and same are herewith
 forwarded to your office for proper
 disposition.

Very respectfully
 Inspector

of the Government property at Depue,
Oregon, but failed to do so for the
reason that it would incur expense
for him to go Depue for the purpose
of receiving for the same, and that
the Government at Depue had left
the view of above facts & instructed
the Postmaster at Vulture, Oregon
to take charge of the supplies &
and to send to his office the keys to
gether with an assigned list of what
was received by him, all of which
he has done and same are herewith
forwarded to your office for proper
disposition.

Very respectfully

Inspector

P. 223 for
civilian

Geo. L. Dybolt.

San Francisco Jan 9th 4

Received from Inspector Ben Simpson the following
list of Registered, Ordinary and Miscellaneous cases
for further investigation, Being a total of 260 cases.

Registered Cases							
	11611	14182	18129	27796	10095	20479	24971
9065	11795	14451	19919	27725	11756	21524	24362
26084	11796	14480	20350	27143	12651	21813	24117
21124	11800	14629	20219	27276	13129	21006	24845
26952	8923	15609	20896	27719	14376	21421	24984
27426	12145	15855	20961	27720	15372	21889	24985
24968	13122	15696	21300	27734	17362	22782	24404
23690	13047	15904	21745	28241	18532	22717	24421
7654	13693	15925	22419	28252	18839	22889	24761
26010	15296	16031	23728	28331	18557	22425	24785
20488	21573	16038	25509	28494	18742	22790	24075
24067	22078	16236	26032	5739	19692	23738	24232
23954	24814	16254	27134	5882	20089	23289	25096
23102	28426	16258	27214	Miscellaneous cases	20627	23833	25457
10878	12992	17258	27510	7541	20221	23232	25290
10463	13452	17640	27516	7543	20373	24132	25421
11080	14095	18125	27213	8589	20990	24182	25579

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Gen. A. D. B. B.

2. The great oceanic world

Received from Inspector Ben Simpson the following list of deposited Ordinances, being a total of 200 cases

11080	14040	18120	21210	24210	27210	30210	33210	36210	39210	42210	45210	48210	51210	54210	57210	60210	63210	66210	69210	72210	75210	78210	81210	84210	87210	90210	93210	96210	99210	100000
10460	13420	17500	20560	23620	26680	29740	32800	35860	38920	41980	45040	48100	51160	54220	57280	60340	63400	66460	69520	72580	75640	78700	81760	84820	87880	90940	94000	97060	100000	100000
10840	13800	17880	20940	24000	27060	30120	33180	36240	39300	42360	45420	48480	51540	54600	57660	60720	63780	66840	69900	72960	76020	79080	82140	85200	88260	91320	94380	97440	100000	100000
11220	14180	18260	21320	24380	27440	30500	33560	36620	39680	42740	45800	48860	51920	54980	58040	61100	64160	67220	70280	73340	76400	79460	82520	85580	88640	91700	94760	97820	100000	100000
11600	14560	18640	21700	24760	27820	30880	33940	37000	40060	43120	46180	49240	52300	55360	58420	61480	64540	67600	70660	73720	76780	79840	82900	85960	89020	92080	95140	98200	100000	100000
11980	14940	19020	22080	25140	28200	31260	34320	37380	40440	43500	46560	49620	52680	55740	58800	61860	64920	67980	71040	74100	77160	80220	83280	86340	89400	92460	95520	98580	100000	100000
12360	15320	19400	22460	25520	28580	31640	34700	37760	40820	43880	46940	50000	53060	56120	59180	62240	65300	68360	71420	74480	77540	80600	83660	86720	89780	92840	95900	98960	100000	100000
12740	15700	19780	22840	25900	28960	32020	35080	38140	41200	44260	47320	50380	53440	56500	59560	62620	65680	68740	71800	74860	77920	80980	84040	87100	90160	93220	96280	99340	100000	100000
13120	16080	20160	23220	26280	29340	32400	35460	38520	41580	44640	47700	50760	53820	56880	59940	63000	66060	69120	72180	75240	78300	81360	84420	87480	90540	93600	96660	99720	100000	100000
13500	16460	20540	23600	26660	29720	32780	35840	38900	41960	45020	48080	51140	54200	57260	60320	63380	66440	69500	72560	75620	78680	81740	84800	87860	90920	93980	97040	100000	100000	100000
13880	16840	20920	23980	27040	30100	33160	36220	39280	42340	45400	48460	51520	54580	57640	60700	63760	66820	69880	72940	76000	79060	82120	85180	88240	91300	94360	97420	100000	100000	100000
14260	17220	21300	24360	27420	30480	33540	36600	39660	42720	45780	48840	51900	54960	58020	61080	64140	67200	70260	73320	76380	794									

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List of Registered, Ordinary & Miscellaneous Cases. concluded.

25120	42972	76448	104842	129446	145054
26072	43333	77393	105865	129992	4097
26257	50800	77766	107746	130149	
26030	51200	78188	109155	130941	
26278	51780	19020	111017	131260	
26111	52540	80287	111950	131264	
26336	53453	81314	115460	132653	
Ordinary Cases	53761	82956	116866	134218	
22173	57095	85054	117139	134227	
23833	58957	88793	117140	134589	
25685	60047	89998	117756	134685	
25686	60211	94575	118054	134883	
28921	60587	94777	118522	135903	
30265	62806	95826	118698	135904	
33190	65262	96066	119048	135905	
33709	67836	98143	120034	135971	
35929	69715	98304	120071	136617	
36135	72147	98614	121294	137249	
36182	73005	100046	123111	137727	
36290	7426	100526	123323	138466	
37220	74491	100450	127012	138899	
38333	75466	101551	127501	140433	
38459	75793	101811	127502	141997	
40258	75794	102260	129107	143886	
41729	76028	102399	129054	144211	

W. S. Simpson
O. Inspector

11/9

forwarded to
Capt. G. F. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

I am not certain
whether Inspector
Simpson has yet
left Washington
therefore forward the
enclosed receipt to
you calling for 260
cases. Please hand
or send to Inspector
Simpson

Geo. L. Seybolt.

San Francisco 1/9th

Capt. A. G. Sharpe
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed papers are respectfully forwarded to your office. I found them among the cases turned over to me by Inspector Simpson just before he went East and am not able to obtain from him any explanation of them.

The only explanation afforded is that contained in letter from Geo. A. Steel, Postmaster at Portland, Oregon accompanying these papers, dated Nov. 22/83. The statement of account against Ben. F. Laughlin late postmaster at Astoria, Oregon, herewith enclosed calls for the sum of \$62¹⁶, whereas the Certificate enclosed calls for \$28⁷⁰ which does not seem to balance the account. I would respectfully

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Genl. Dyer

San Francisco 19th

Colt & Co.
Chief O. S. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed papers are respectfully
forwarded to your office. I found them
among the cases turned over to me
by Inspector Winchester just before he
left. I am not able to obtain
from him any explanation of them.
The only explanation offered
is that contained in letter from Gen.
A. Abel, Postmaster at Portland, Oregon
concerning the papers, dated
Nov. 20/72. The statement of account
against Gen. F. S. Winchester late Postmaster
at Portland, Oregon, herewith enclosed
covers for the sum of \$500.00
the Postmaster enclosed calls for \$25.00
which does not seem to balance the
account. I would respectfully

request that the certificate be sent
to the Auditor that new account
may be made out, if necessary,
for further investigation.

Very respectfully

Inspector

Atty Gen
 Wash D.C.
Geo L Seybolt.

San Francisco 11/9th

Capit. A. G. Shank
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed Duplicate Certificate of Deposit # 2134 in favor of J. M. Brackett late postmaster at Daysville, Oregon is respectfully forwarded with the statement that I found same among papers turned over to me by Inspector Simpson just prior to his leaving for the East. Not knowing whether or not original had been forwarded to the Department, so that Mr Brackett could receive proper credit the Duplicate is forwarded to you. In case original is on file Duplicate should be sent to Mr. J. M. Brackett Daysville Oregon

Very respectfully,
 Inspector

I am very glad to hear
 that the students have been successful
 in their studies and hope they will
 continue to be so. I am very
 respectfully,
 Yours,

Charles

Rising

Geo. L. Seybolt.

San Francisco "11

Capt. A. G. Tharsh
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully report that yesterday morning - Inspector Culver & myself arrested, at San Francisco, Cal., Herbert F. Rising - late a Wells, Fargo & Co Express Messenger on Carson & Colorado Railroad, between Mound House, Nev., and Bishop Creek, Cal., for rifling Registered packages on Jan'y 26/84. We have his confession (written) that he rifled Registered Package #2 mailed at Bishop Creek, Cal & addressed to postmaster San Francisco, Cal., containing \$600 Money Order Funds. Registered Package #3 from same office to same address - containing Weekly Statement, had also been opened - but contents being of no

Friend

Geo. T. Dupont

Dear Friend

Capt. A. P. Clark
Chief U.S. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I have respectfully request that you
may forwarding - duplicate of the
and forwarded, at San Francisco, Cal.
District of Columbia - late on 11th, 1864
The free messenger and carrier of the
Garrison, between New York and Boston, the
and District of Columbia, Cal. for visiting
registered packages on Jan 25/64
The above in conference (written) that
the right registered package # 2 would
at District of Columbia, Cal. be returned
to postmaster San Francisco, Cal.
containing 1000 copies of the
registered package # 3 from same
office to some address - containing
the whole statement, had also been
referred - but could not find of no

value were not taken, Registered Pkgs
 #4 from same office containing
 a bag of coin (\$10⁰⁰) addressed to the
 Asst. U.S. Treasurer San Francisco, Cal
 was rifled of \$20⁰⁰ (gold piece). Balance
 being silver was not disturbed. Reg.
 Pkgs #1 Darwin Cal, $\frac{1}{2}$ to Independence
 Cal, was rifled of entire contents (\$30⁰⁰
 Currency). Registered Pkgs #2 Hawthorne
 Nevada $\frac{1}{2}$ to New York City was also
 opened - but Rising positively states
 that contents (\$500) were put back
 into the letter. Has written for
 R.P.E. and particulars to ascertain if
 his statement is correct. R.P.E. #3
 from Grantsville Nevada $\frac{1}{2}$ to San
 Francisco Cal. containing check
 for \$500. was also opened, but con-
 tents being of no value - only to party
 addressed - were put back & found
 loose in R.P.E. upon its receipt at
 destination.

Rising confesses to having
 rifled all of the above mention-
 ed Reg. Packages and has made a
 complete and voluntary statement

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary.
to the student what then amounts
to say that the Certificate is sent

in writing to that effect. He will today be taken to Nevada (Carson) for examination before U.S. Commissioner and result of such examination will be fully reported to your office.

In this connection it will be proper to state that on Jan'y 2d/84 Rising rode most of the distance from Bishop Station, Cal, to Mound House, Nevada in the mail car. Ernest S. Hawley, Postal Clerk, was in charge of said car, and on that trip and date was in an intoxicated condition. He had two bottles of whiskey in the car and both He and Rising were more or less under the influence of liquor. Hawley seems to have gone to sleep soon after leaving Summit Station (Nev.) leaving Rising practically in charge of the car. At Summit Station Rising borrowed a bottle of mucilage from the Express Messenger (Mr Pierce) on that train ostensibly for the purpose of mending his hat. This mucilage was taken into the mail car and never

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to the student that their account
regarding the Certificate to suit

Respectfully

the student's paper and respectfully
forwarded to your office. Should the
student be unable to come to me
at the first time, please let me
know and I will call on them
for the necessary papers of their
office. I will be very glad to
assist them in their studies and
in their work at the college. I
will be very glad to see them
and to hear of their progress.
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and to hear of their progress.
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and to hear of their progress.

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returned to the messenger. On the arrival of train at Mound House, Nev., the Registered Packages referred to were delivered to Postal Clerk Prior (Postal Clerk from Virginia City to Reno, Nev.) and found to have been opened.

Prior at once telegraphed here and Inspector Culver was at once sent to investigate as regards the rifling and I take pleasure in stating that his investigation was most thorough and complete. To his efforts is due the arrest of Rising - although his confession was made to me in San Francisco - as he (Culver) furnished the facts and enabled me to obtain from Rising a confession of his guilt. The evidence secured by Inspector Culver was so overwhelming and complete, that when Rising was confronted with same he admitted to having rifled the Pkgs., while Hawley was in a drunken sleep in the cars.

In this connection I would further state that Rising had — —

Very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary.
to the Auditor what their account
represents that the Certificate be sent

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recently been discharged from the employ of said Express Company on suspicion of having taken the sum of \$300 from a Chinaman, which was never accounted for by him, and as he was discharged on the lower end of the road, he was riding up the road in the mail car most of the way - with Hawley - who was suspected by Inspector Cullors for being drunk on duty - carrying whiskey in mail car and allowing unauthorized persons to ride with him and have access to the mail.

This arrest does not in any way explain the previous loss of a Registered package Envel. from Bishop Creek, Cal, to San Francisco, Cal, containing \$2000 Surplus money order Funds - by Ernest S. Hawley - which amount was collected from him, and justly so, as on that trip he was too drunk to get into the mail car when train started and was compelled

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to the Auditor that when account
is required that the Auditor be sent

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to ride part of the way in the coach.
 Rising - at the time this loss occurred
 was Jim Carson, Stev, and could not
 have stolen the package referred
 to. He is the son of an Associate
 Justice of Nevada and the shock
 to his parents on account of this
 arrest will be a severe one.

The evidence in this case is
 very conclusive - not only to hold
 him - but insures - as I think - his
 conviction. I am satisfied that
 the losses will be made good by
 his father when all the facts are
 known by him.

I would respectfully
 ask that cases be made up for
 the packages rifled for report.

Further particulars will be
 promptly reported.

Very respectfully
 Geo. S. Dyckson
 Inspector

very respectfully
for further investigation
may be made out if necessary.
to the student that when account
express that the Certificate be sent

Geo. L. Seybolt

San Francisco 7/11

Capt A. G. Sharf
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed application for post
age stamps was handed in this
morning by Mr C. H. Goldberg and is
forwarded to you for reference.
Mr Goldberg was recently appoint-
ed and commissioned as postmaster
at Covelo, Mendocino County, Cal.,
but before the receipt of his com-
mission he was taken sick and com-
pelled to return to San Francisco
for treatment and now states that
he does not intend to return to Covelo,
but has forwarded his resignation
to Washington recommending that
Mr John P. Thompson (Thomson)
who has been postmaster at that
place, be retained in office.

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the student that their account
regarding that the Committee be sent

Very respectfully

the committee have been and respectfully
presented to your office. I found this
morning the same thing done to me
of which I think great before be
cause it is a new and able to show
from the many references of them
the only reference afforded
to the committee in letter of our Gov.
at this point at Boston and
consequently the paper at the
committee. The statement of account
regarding Gov. S. Phillips late President
of the College, Oregon, have been enclosed
to me for the committee of Gov. when
the Committee enclosed with for Gov.
which I have not seen to be done in
the committee.

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As Mr Thomson was not removed
and as I understand is now willing
to retain the office, I would respect-
fully advise that he be allowed to
do so.

The stamps herein applied
are a necessity of that office
and the requisition should be
filled if it can be done, consist-
ently with the Regulations.

Very respectfully

Inspector

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary.
to the student that when account
express that the Certificate be sent

Chapman

Hawley case

Geo. L. Seybolt.

San Francisco 1/14 4

Capt. A. G. Sharb
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed report of Inspector Culver is respectfully forwarded to you for the information of the Department. In forwarding this report it is proper to state that the Asst. A. M. S. & Ch. Div. was promptly notified of Hawley's suspension - but as the facts reported to me were included in a report regarding the rifling of some Registered packages, which had not been fully investigated I could not forward to the Asst. the full particulars regarding the suspension.

The reasons given are certainly sufficient to warrant Hawley's suspension & should secure his removal from office.

Very respectfully,
Geo. L. Seybolt

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may be made out if necessary.
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regards that the Certificate be sent

Chapman

San Francisco Jan. 14 4

Sir:

I have the honor to report that on Jan. 5, 1884. I suspended Ernest S. Hawley R.P. Clerk, Mound House and Bishop Station R.P.D. and took away his Mail Key, No. 93008, which I have turned over to H. J. McKusick, Supt. R.M.S. in this Division.

My reasons for suspending Hawley are as follows:

1. Drinking whiskey while on duty in the mail car Jan. 2, and 3, from Bishop Station to Mound House.

2. Allowing Herbert D. Lising to enter the Mail car and ride there, Jan. 2, and 3, most of the way from Bishop Station to Mound House, in violation of Sections 758-9, P.L. & R.

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the student that their account
requires that the certificate be sent

Chapman

the student at first and respectfully
presented to your office. I found this
morning the same turned over to me
at which time I found that before be
ing sent to me it had been to others
and that the many applications of others
the only explanation offered
was that it had been in the hands of
the student at the time of the
presentation of the paper at the
meeting. I do not want to account
for the delay. I do not wish to
the student, or any, have any
more of the same. I do not
the student and would call for
the student and would call for
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3. Gross negligence; sleeping on duty; leaving valuable letters exposed and allowing H. P. Rising to rifle registered letters and steal \$100 therefrom, while riding in the Mail car Jan. 2, 1884.

Rising has confessed that he stole the money from the registers, and says that Hawley knew nothing about it.

Hawley admits that he was guilty of criminal carelessness, and that he could not resist temptation, when asked to drink whiskey.

In this connection I call attention to the loss of a registered letter containing \$420, which was made good by Hawley's father. See report on Case No. 29612 A.

When the above case was investigated it was difficult, or impossible, to get information from some persons who have since spoken quite freely. Had I known, or suspected then, that Hawley was too weak to resist whiskey, and could not, therefore, keep the promises of reform made by himself, and by his father in his behalf, I should have suspended him at that time.

Hawley should be dismissed from the service.

Geo. L. Seyboet,
S. O. Inspector,
San Francisco

Very respectfully,
J. O. Culver,
Inspector.

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the student that their account
regarding the Certificate be sent

Respectfully

The undersigned has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the Certificate of the Board of Trustees of the University of the State of New York, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. The undersigned is, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. B. Thompson, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the University of the State of New York.

516 O.C.

January 15 4.

Sir:

The enclosed papers are respectfully returned and attention invited to report of Inspector Tracy who personally investigated this matter and is satisfied that the persons named, are the proper ones to receive reward. Please find enclosed an account with affidavits and power of atty. These accounts are approved by U. S. Marshal by deputy and by U. S. atty for Arizona -

Very respectfully

Geo. L. Seymour

Inspector

Capt. A. M. Sharp

Chief of Police

Washington,

D.C.

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the Auditor what your account
represents that the Certificate be sent

516. C. C.

Jan 15th

Sir

I have the honor to return herewith the papers
in Office Case No 576 - Claim for reward
for arrest of robbers of stage Co. from Ch. N
to Louisville N. H. -

I enclose affidavits of the parties together
with the certificate of M. S. District Atty and
M. S. Marshall by his Chief Deputy, also forams of
Atty from all parties favor of E. W. Pomeroy -
I believe the parties named in the affidavits
and a receipt dated Dec 2^d 1883 to be the
persons entitled to the reward and recommend
that payment be made to E. W. Pomeroy as
Atty in fact for said parties

Very Respectfully
Wm. H. Macy
P. C. Inspector

To
Geo. L. Seyboet Esq
P. C. Inspector
San Francisco
Cal

I am very
 much obliged to you for the
 trouble you have taken
 to be present at the
 meeting of the
 committee on the
 10th inst. and for the
 very interesting
 conversation.

Yours faithfully

I am very much obliged to you for the trouble you have taken to be present at the meeting of the committee on the 10th inst. and for the very interesting conversation.

729⁰⁰.
Hawley & Rising Case

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Jan'y 17th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I enclose herewith Certificate
of Deposit # 700 in favor of Seth
J. Sudow Postmaster Bishop Creek
Inyo County, California for \$60⁰⁰
on money order account - same
having been remitted by him on
Jan'y 2/54 as per R.P.E # 2 from
his office to San Francisco and was
rifled will in transit.

I also enclose Certificate of Depos-
it # 3203 from Asst. U.S. Treasr.
San Francisco, Cal, for \$20⁰⁰ in

Very respectfully
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favor of Seth. G. Sweden Postmaster
at Bishop Creek, Cal, being the
amount short in his remittance
of \$110⁰⁰ on general Postal account
Jan'y 2/84. as per R.P.C. #4 from his
office to San Francisco, Cal.

I also enclose herewith \$30⁰⁰ (cy)
being the amount rifled from
Registered letter #1 R.P.C. #1 sent by
J. J. Gunn at Darwin, Cal, Jan'y 1/84
to S. G. Gregg, Independence, Cal,
The above money (total \$110⁰⁰) was
collected from Herbert F. Rising
who confessed to having rifled
letters as stated in my letter to
you dated Jan'y 11/84. The amounts
specified is all the money obtained
from the mails on Jan'y 2/84 by
him as far as is now known

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the student that their account
regarding the Constitution be sent

Respectfully

the student is requested to
forward to your office. Should the
student be unable to send to me
at the first time, just before the
first of the month, and will be
sent to the next meeting of the
committee. The committee offered
to the student in the form of a
letter, and the student is requested
to send it to the committee at the
next meeting. The student is
requested to send the letter to the
committee at the next meeting.
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committee at the next meeting.

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and the same is forwarded to your office for the reason that the P.M. at Bishop Creek, Cal, should receive credit for his remittances at as early a date as possible; and the \$3000 are forwarded for proper disposition. The cases regarding the rifling of letters, have not yet been received at this office.

In connection with this your attention is respectfully invited to my letter of Jan'y 11th last reporting arrest of Herb F. Rising

Very respectfully
Chas. Lybott
Inspector

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the Auditor what then account
express that the Certificate be sent

Carbondale Cal.

Jan'y 18th

Capt. A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Inspector Tracy recommends
the discontinuance of the post
office at Carbondale, Los Angeles
County, California - also of route
from Santa Anna to Carbondale.

As there seems to be no necessity
for an office there I would respect-
fully advise that it be discon-
tinued - The discontinuance of
above named office will also
enable the Department to discon-
tinue route # 378 as above.

Very respectfully
Inspector

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the student that their account
regarding the Constitution be sent

Respectfully

San Francisco Aug 16th 4

Gen

I have the honor to report that upon a recent
visit to Santa Ina Los Angeles County, Cal. - I was
informed that the population formerly residing
at Carbondale & Sonoma had for the greater
part left this section of country and that
the receipt for the route No 6328 and for a
Post Office at Carbondale no longer exists
While I was at Santa Ina the mail for
Carbondale containing an accumulation
of two days undelivered & four letters only
I therefore recommended a discontinuance
of the Post Office at Carbondale. Los Angeles County
Cal. and of the route from Santa Ina to Carbondale
to the L. S. & S. P. Co.
P. O. Inspector
San Francisco Cal

Very Respectfully,
Wm. H. H. H.
P. O. Inspector

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary.
to the student that their account
regarding that the Certificate be sent

Chapman

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Jan'y 18th 4

Capt A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Herewith I forward a package sent here by postmaster at San Francisco Cal, where it was turned in by Ins't. R. M. D this Division owing to address being defaced so that destination could not be made out. Upon examination the enclosed bill was found inside of package which subjects the same to letter postage and the parties mailing it to penalty as per section 233. P. L. & R. 79

very respectfully
 for further information
 may be made out if necessary
 to the student that their account
 requires that the Committee be sent

Respectfully

The Committee on the subject of the
 proposed changes in the curriculum
 of the College of Arts and Sciences
 have the honor to acknowledge the
 receipt of your letter of the 10th
 inst. in relation to the proposed
 changes in the curriculum of the
 College of Arts and Sciences. The
 Committee have considered the same
 and have the honor to inform you
 that they have decided to recommend
 the adoption of the proposed
 changes in the curriculum of the
 College of Arts and Sciences. The
 Committee have also decided to
 recommend the adoption of the
 proposed changes in the curriculum
 of the College of Arts and Sciences.
 The Committee have the honor to
 inform you that they have decided
 to recommend the adoption of the
 proposed changes in the curriculum
 of the College of Arts and Sciences.
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 inform you that they have decided
 to recommend the adoption of the
 proposed changes in the curriculum
 of the College of Arts and Sciences.

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The Warsaw News Co., Chicago, Ill.,
who sent this parcel were written
to several times to pay this penalty
and postage. They acknowledged send-
ing the package but pay no further
attention to the matter. as the
violation was not committed
in this District - correspondence
and packages are forwarded for
such disposition as you see proper.

Very respectfully
Thos. L. Haydock
Inspector

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the student that when necessary
regard that the Committee be sent

Very respectfully

the student that the Committee be sent
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to the student that when necessary
may be made out if necessary
for further information
very respectfully
Very respectfully

683⁰⁰Jan'y 18th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharpe
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully ask that you procure from Sup't, Money order System, the original application for duplicate of money orders # 8187^{and} # 8188 issued at Pendleton, Oregon Dec 4/82 upon the postmaster at San Francisco Cal, for \$75⁰⁰. Duplicate of above orders (#46774) was issued April 18/83 payable to Rev. E. B. Spaulding for the sum of \$75⁰⁰. I desire the application asked for the reason that the original orders were paid

very respectfully
 for further information
 may be made out if necessary
 to the student that their account
 requires that the Certificate be sent

Respectfully

the student is requested to send the
 certificate to the office of the
 Registrar of the University of
 the State of New York at Albany
 for the purpose of obtaining a
 certificate of graduation from the
 University of the State of New York
 at Albany. The certificate of
 graduation from the University of
 the State of New York at Albany
 is a document which is issued to
 the student who has completed the
 course of study at the University
 of the State of New York at Albany
 and who has been found to be
 qualified to receive the degree of
 Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of
 Science. The certificate of graduation
 is a document which is issued to
 the student who has completed the
 course of study at the University
 of the State of New York at Albany
 and who has been found to be
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 of the State of New York at Albany
 and who has been found to be
 qualified to receive the degree of
 Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of
 Science.

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at San Francisco Cal, main office
and Duplicate was paid at Station
"B" San Francisco on April 26/83.
and I am trying to recover from
the Rev. Mr Shaulding the amt,
\$500 which was paid to him twice.
He has made a statement that
he never signed an application
for duplicate order stating that
the original order had been lost.
I am satisfied that if this applica-
tion can be obtained by this office
he will pay the amount, and it
is desired for the further reason
that this office is unable to deter-
mine why the application for
duplicate was made.

Very respectfully
Inspector

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Chapman

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Jan 18th 4

Capit A. G. Sharp
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

On Jan 12th the sum of \$70⁰⁰ was
 forwarded by this office - being the
 amount collected from Ernest
 D. Hawley - late Postal Clerk from
 Mount House, Nevada, to to Bishop
 Station, California - for the loss of Reg.
 letter #48 RPO #47 from Bishop
 Creek, Cal, Dec 7th to San Francisco.
 This money was forwarded to your
 office on account of its being a
 money order remittance & person
 paying same protesting that he

should not pay the amount. A
 subsequent investigation of the rifling
 of 6 R. Stes which occurred on Hawley
 run Jan'y 2/84 more than satisfies
 this office that the collection of \$70⁰⁰
 from Hawley was perfectly proper
 and that Hawley was responsible
 for the loss of the Registered letter
 in question - as on that run (Dec 7/83)
 he was in a drunken condition
 and part of the time not in the
 car at all; and while it is possible
 perhaps probable - that he himself
 did not steal the money - still
 he is none the less responsible
 for the loss of the package in
 question. I would respectfully
 ask to be advised as to the
 disposition which has been

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the student that their account
regarding the Constitution be sent

Respectfully

the student is requested to
forward the same to me
at the first opportunity
that I can send it to the
proper authorities of the
University of California
at Berkeley. I am sure
that the student will be
very glad to do so.
Very respectfully
Yours truly
J. P. Thompson

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made of the amount in question.
as the postmaster at Bishop
Creek, Cal, should have credit
for the amount in question at as
early a day as possible.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Sargent
Inspector

very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the student that when account
express that the Committee be sent

Charleston

2215a

Jan'y 18th 4

Capt A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed papers are respectfully returned with the statement that the case to which they refer was vtd. to the Department on May 31-83 with report of Inspector Schaurte showing that the contents of the letter in question (ie draft for 101 marks) must have been stolen in Russia as a Russian by the name of Sandaw, who is said to reside at Kossing Russia, had sold the draft in question to the Banking House

of F. F. Freiberg in Kowno, Russia
and they in turn sent the same to their
House in Konigsberg, which house
collected the draft from Mahlon
Konschany, on whom it was drawn.

I have seen the sender of the
draft in question but he is unable
to give any further information than
that which is very fully set forth
by Inspector Schaute in his report
of May 31/83. - with the exception
that Rachel Friedberg for whom the
draft was intended has not rec'd
it nor its equivalent. For full particu-
lars I would respectfully call
your attention to report of Inspector
Schaute on file in the case (# 2215^a)
returned May 31-83. { very respectfully
{ Chas. J. Lybott
Inspector

Very respectfully
for further information
may be made out if necessary
to the student that their account
regards that the Certificate be sent

Chapman

Beaver Utah.

Jan'y 19th

Capt A. G. Sharp
Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed papers relative to the money order affairs at Beaver Utah post office are respectfully forwarded for your information. The papers in this case very fully set forth the condition of the money order business at Beaver at the time of Mr. Baumman's visit. He has collected the full amount claimed to be due from the postmaster's friends and same has been deposited with postmaster at Salt Lake City as per statement herewith.

Very respectfully
Chas. L. Smith
Inspector

Very respectfully
for further investigation
may be made out if necessary.
to the Auditor that their account
corresponds that the Certificate be sent

San Francisco, Cal. January 14th 1894

Geo. L. Seybolt, Esq.

P. O. Inspector,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir

Respectfully referring to my telegram of this date and to my previous telegram and letter in regard to the deficit which I found existing in the funds of the postmaster at Beaver Utah, I beg to report that at the time of forwarding my communications from Beaver I had no means of ascertaining the the actual amount of postage stamps, stamped envelopes, etc. received from the Department during the quarter ending Dec. 31 1893 and accordingly based my estimate upon the figures representing this particular item of debit in the preceding quarterly return. The enclosed telegram from Chief Inspector Sharp showed, however, that my estimate exceeded the amount of the

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postmaster's responsibility and that instead of "between nine and ten hundred dollars" as mentioned in my telegram of the 9th instant, the deficiency in his funds, according to the data at my command, was only seven hundred and thirty one $\frac{1}{10}$ dollars, as shown by the accompanying statement. Being unable to communicate with the postmaster and having no reliable information as to his actual whereabouts I at once called upon his sureties and demanded payment of this amount. My demand was met by a promise from each that the money would be paid, without process, within two or three days. While at Salt Lake City, one of the sureties, Mr. E. W. Thompson, called upon the postmaster's brother, Mr. H. C. McMillan, Deputy Clerk of the U. S. Court, who upon hearing the facts in the case declared that himself and his brother, the Rev. Mr. McMillan, would protect both the Government and the sureties against any

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 loss whatever through the acts of J. S. McMillan, postmaster
 at Beaver. In accordance with this understanding I, in
 company with Surety Thompson, called this afternoon upon
 Mr. McMillan and received from him, as the Agent of J. S.
 McMillan, the sum of seven hundred and thirty one ⁹⁸/₁₀₀ dollars
 which I have this day deposited with the postmaster at Salt
 Lake City. The payment of this amount of money by
 Mr. H. S. McMillan, who is himself the head of a family of
 several small children and with no income save his salary,
 was evidently a great sacrifice but he made it freely, as he
 said, with the earnest hope that for the sake of his mother,
 a venerable lady of seventy years, and the estimable wife
 and children of his erring brother not to speak of the public
 reputation of his other brother, the Rev. Mr. McMillan, whose
 name is so prominently associated with the cause of religion

very respectfully
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to the student that their account
regarding the Constitution be sent

Respectfully

the student is requested to
forward to your office. Should this
be done the same should be sent to me
of the student's progress just before he
leaves the school. I am not able to return
from the many requests of students
for the most satisfactory of efforts
in the matter of the letter of our dear
and good President at Dartmouth College
in the accompanying letter paper at the
bottom of the page. All statements of account
regarding the student's progress should be
sent to the student's room, have not reached
me from the student of 1855. I am
the student's account will be for 1855
which should be sent to the student's
account. I am not able to return

24 in Utah, the Department in consideration of the prompt settlement of the deficiency, would exercise clemency in the case by declining to order any criminal prosecution on account of the absence of the funds when called for by its Agent.

From conversation with several persons intimately acquainted with postmaster McMillan, I entertain the belief that he is in all probability mentally irresponsible for his acts. As an evidence of the ground for this opinion I may mention the fact that in starting from Beaver on Dec 5th he took with him his oldest child, a boy of between seven and eight years, and notwithstanding the apprehensions and fears of his wife for the child's safety during the prospective journey of several hundred miles through the mountainous country of Colorado and Utah he, with an apparently insane affection for the boy, induced her to permit him to accompany him.

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regarding the Constitution be sent

Respectfully

the student's paper and respectfully
forwarded to your office. Should this
be the case, please send me to me
of the first of the year just before be
that I am not able to obtain
from the many references of the
the only information afforded
in the letter of the year 1860
at that time at the Boston Convention
concerning the paper of the
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In a letter dated December 18th, the only one received from him up to the date of my visit, he described at length the dangers and hardships which himself and the boy had encountered through the heavy fall of snow in the Canyons, but at the same time expressed himself happy that he was not obliged to make the journey without the lad.

This letter was addressed to his wife and was exhibited to me by her brother, J. B. Gehr, and from the general tenor of the document I cannot help feeling that the writer has already passed through the first stages of lunacy.

A telegram received yesterday from Mr Gehr informs me that news had been received from Mr. William to the effect that instead of going to Durango, Colorado, as was his intention, he had resolved to return to Beaver and was then retracing his course through the mountains. This information

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if true, would tend to strengthen the suspicion that the man is not altogether in his right mind although neither his wife nor brother advanced any such plea in extenuation of his unlawful acts.

A report that he had deserted his wife and children reached me before arriving at Beaver but I found the statement to be entirely without foundation inasmuch as his wife and also his most intimate neighbors spoke of him as being at all times a kind and devoted husband and father.

He possesses no valuable property outside of his household effects but it is claimed by his wife that in the event of his selling the horses at a good price, he will receive from the owners of the "band", in which he himself holds only a small interest, a sum of money sufficient to liquidate all his pecuniary obligations.

In the accompanying statement I have set forth the con-

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 dition of his official affairs at the date of my visit, the 9th instant, and trust that the manner of their arrangement will furnish satisfactory information to the Department.

McMillans false entry in his money order Remittance Book to the effect that on Nov. 21. 1883 he remitted to the postmaster at Salt Lake City the sum of \$579⁰⁰ dollars when in reality he had only remitted the sum of \$335 dollars, is an act on his part which neither his wife nor brother-in-law could in any way explain. According to his records, R. P. O. No. 62 appears as having been addressed and forwarded to the postmaster at Salt Lake City on same date but there is no evidence beyond the receipt made out by himself to show that any such package left his office and from all I could learn on the subject I feel entirely satisfied that there is not a particle of truth

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is the allegation and that the sum of \$335 dollars was the only remittance made by him on account of money order business on the date in question.

Together with other papers concerning the case I enclose herewith a note addressed to me by Mrs McMillan wife of the postmaster during my investigation of the affairs of the office and also a letter received since my return from Beaver from her brother Mr J. B. Gehr. Mrs McMillan is a refined, educated lady and feels most keenly the disgrace brought upon herself and her children through the acts of her husband. While her demeanour during my stay at Beaver appeared subdued and tranquil it was nevertheless easy to observe that she was suffering intense mental agony and I am not surprised at the news in her brother's letter that she is frustrated physically and mentally.

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regarding the Constitution be sent

Respectfully

the student's paper and respectfully
forwarded to your office. I found this
morning the same turned over to me
of which I think you will be
pleased to see and will be able to
forward to you a copy of the
the only representative offered
in the student body in letter of our
in that I have not at present
any more. All students of account
regarding the Constitution let
the student, or you, have the
same for the student's
the student's account will be
sent to you as soon as
possible. I would be

Mr. Gehr is employed as school teacher in the "gentile" school at Beaver and is a young man of the highest character and social standing.

In depositing the money with the postmaster at Salt Lake City I caused him to enter as a special deposit to credit of postmaster at Beaver (according to instructions in Circular letter of Third Asst P.M. G.) the sum of \$59³² dollars, which together with \$18²² dollars also deposited by me and \$52⁰⁰ dollars which I directed Acting postmaster C. C. Woodhousen to remit, comprises a total deposit of \$130²¹ dollars on account of postal funds. Adding to \$59³² and \$18²², the deposit of \$654³⁷ on account of money order funds, gives \$731⁵⁹ dollars the actual sum collected by me.

Respectfully, J. R. Dammann, Inspector.

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Jan'y 28

Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, DC

Sir:

Yours of Jan'y 18th forwarding
 draft # 862 for \$200⁰⁰ in favor of
 Jacob Henkle Sheriff Yavapai Co,
 Arizona - on the acct. U. S. Treasurer
 at San Francisco, Cal, came duly
 to hand and same will be forwarded
 to postmaster at Prescott, Arizona
 officially registered for proper
 delivery.

Very respectfully
 W. L. Rybolt
 Inspector

Jan 28

Post Office
Chief of Division
Washington, DC

Sir:

Yours of Jan 18 is forwarded
and \$100 for 2000 in favor of
Post Office Chief of Division
Treasury - on the part of the Treasurer
at San Francisco, Cal. same duly
to hand and same will be forwarded
to Postmaster at Sacramento, Oregon
officially registered for freight
received

Very respectfully
Yours,
C. W. Johnson

Jan'y 29th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed report of Inspector Robinson relative to Money Order Business at Fort Halleck, Mo., is respectfully forwarded to you for the information of Supt. Money Order System. I had received numerous complaints relative to that postmaster's failing to send in his statements re, and concluded at last to investigate his office personally. Inspector Robinson's report fully explains matters.

Very respectfully,
Inspector

Jan 20th

Post O. S. Clerk
Chief O. S. Inspector
Washington D.C.

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personally. Inspector Robinson is
fully conversant with the matter
and respectfully
Yours truly

Fort Halleck Jan 18th 4

Geo L. Seybolt Esq

P & Inspector

Sir

I return herewith D.C. 740
and report that I visited Fort
Halleck and made an examination
of the Money Order business. I found
that it has been the custom of
the postmaster, (and also that of the
late pm) to remit their surplus
Money Order funds with the weekly
statements, that is to say not more
frequently than once a week.
Also that it has been the
practice of the pm. to balance

Providence Jan 1844
J. A. Chapin Esq
Boston
Dear Sir
I return herewith \$2.70
and report that I visited your
Museum and made an examination
of the Heavy Order form. I found
that it has been the custom of
the postmaster (and also that of the
late Mr) to remit their receipts
Heavy Order form with the weekly
statements, that is to say not more
frequently than once a week.
I think it has been the
practice of the Post. to deliver

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his Cash book only when his
 statements were made out. The
 result of this system has been
 to render his statements liable to
 error in carrying what is apparently
 a false balance, but in which the
 p.m. had really no intention to
 defraud. For instance. During Decemr.
 the p.m. has no blanks for weekly
 statements for several weeks, and
 he forwarded on or about Jan 10th
 statement for weeks ending Dec 22^d.
 and Dec 31st 83
 + took credit as having been
 remitted but no certificate returned
 money actually remitted Jan 9th
 I have instructed him to balance
 his Cash book at close of ^{business} each
 day and to make out his

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day can be made out in
 his card book at close of each
 I have instructed him to balance
 money actually received four p^{cs}
 recorded but no disbursements

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weekly statements to show the exact
 state of the Money Order business
at the date of statement. Have
 also prepared correct statements
 for week ending Dec 22. and for
 the periods ending Dec 31st and
 Jan 12th and forwarded same
 to you this day. The p.m. Mr.
 D. J. Alger has remitted all
 money due as surplus funds up
 to Jan 12 1884. and I am
 satisfied that in future there
 will be no cause of complaint
 against this Office on account
 of M.O.T.D

Very respectfully
 W. A. R. Moore
 Inspector

Rifling of letters for Victoria B.C.

Feb. 5th

Capt A. G. Sharp.

Chief of Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed communication from Inspector Culver is respectfully forwarded for the information of your office.

The recommendations made by him are worthy of consideration by the Hon. Dist. A. M. S. and I think orders should be issued to remedy the evil complained of by Inspector Culver.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Lybott
Inspector

Respectfully submitted for Victor B.C.

July 20th

Chief of Inspector
Washington D.C.
Capt. W.D. Clark

The enclosed communication
from Inspector Clark is respectfully
forwarded for the information
of your office.

The recommendations
made by him are worthy of
consideration by the Hon. Chief
of Police and I think it would
be wise to send the same
for consideration of the Inspector.
Very respectfully
W.D. Clark
Inspector

Portland Ogn Feb 1 4

Sir-

I have just returned from a trip over the route from here to Victoria, British Columbia,

My object in making the journey was to discover, if possible, who had been guilty of breaking open the mail sacks en route from Windsor, Ontario, to Victoria B.C., and rifling registered letters found therein, also to devise some way to prevent future depredations.

I found that as the Postal Clerks from Portland to New Tacoma do not run on Sunday, there was

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to prevent future depredations.
I found that on the route
from Port Moody to New Westminster
the mail was on Thursday, there was

2 Last Monday the accumulation of two days mail, from the Northern Pacific, and the steamer mail from San Francisco, on the Portland and Astoria boat. As there is only one small mail room on this steamer it is used jointly by the Portland and Astoria and the Portland and New Tacoma clerks, down the river to Kalama.

On the main deck of the boat near the furnace I found sacks of letter-mail from Windsor, Ontario to Victoria B.C., piled up near sacks of flour and accessible to deck hands, coal-passers and passengers, while the Postal Clerks were working their mail in their room on the upper deck.

All this British letter mail is in canvas sacks and it is difficult to distinguish it from paper mail. Our letter pouches such as were not taken up stairs, were placed in a locker, near this pile of

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mail from the dock, Astoria to Victoria
&c. piled up near racks of flour
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passengers and passengers, while the
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mail in this room on the upper
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sacks, and the door was fastened with a mail lock, while our paper mail was mixed in with the Canadian sacks.

This boat left Portland at 6 A.M. and reached Kalama at 9 A.M., where the Victoria mail was transferred to the cars and reached New Tacoma at about 4 P.M. The post office being located some distance from the depot at the top of a long bad hill the carrier makes his load as light as possible, and I am confident that it has been customary to leave some of the Canadian letter mail with the paper sacks that were to go up the Sound, and this is all piled up in the freight house to await the arrival of the Steamer, two or three hours afterwards. It is then taken on board the boat, and if there is room in the little closet on the main deck under the stair way it is locked up by the Postal Clerk.

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with a nail lock, while our paper
mail was mixed in with the Canadian

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and reached St. John at 10 A.M. where
the Victoria mail was transferred to
the car and reached New Brunswick at
about 4 P.M. The post office being
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at the top of a long hill the
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with the paper back that were to go
up the board, and this is all fixed
up in the freight house to await the
arrival of the steamer, two or three
hours afterwards. It is then taken
on board the boat, and if there is
room in the little cabin the mail is
checked under the stairs and it is
locked up by the Postal Clerk.

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The mail room is small and is on the upper deck, and in case the mail can not all be put into the closet, it is left exposed as it is on the Portland and Astoria boat.

Though there are two Steamers running from New Tacoma clean through to Victoria and the mail goes every week day between New Tacoma and Port Townsend it only goes three times a week between Port Townsend and Victoria.

When the Victoria sacks are delivered by the Postal Clerk at Port Townsend to the steamer he takes his mail lock from the closet under the stair way and the mate of the boat puts on his lock and has charge during the balance of the journey which takes about three hours in good weather. The Postal

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 Clerk says he has run over there, however, for the last two months or so, nearly every trip, and has gone with the mail to the Victoria office.

The steamer "North Pacific" takes the mail clean through picking up that left the day before at Pt Townsend. The Postal Clerk on this boat is Tho^s W. Spencer. The boat leaves New Tacoma, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays about 7 P.M. reaches Port Townsend about 10 A.M. next day, and Victoria about 1 P.M.

I found on reaching Victoria that three pouches had been broken open recently. The first was despatched from Windsor Dec. 20. and reached Victoria on the 29th of ^{December} ~~Victoria~~. The small sack containing registered matter, which was placed inside the larger sack, was stolen. The value of contents was unknown. The next mail that was rifled was despatched from Windsor Dec. 26.

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from Whidbey Dec. 20. and reached Victoria
on the 24th of Victoria. The small sack
containing registered matter, which was
placed inside the larger sack, was broken.
The value of contents was not known.
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despatched from Whidbey Dec. 26.

6th and reached Victoria Jan, 3, 1884.
 The little sack was broken open
 and seven registered letters rifled
 as I understood.

One letter contained a check, another
 enclosed invoices and a third had
 nothing but Christmas cards in it.
 A package of Jewellery containing
 a silver brooch marked "Elma" was
 rifled. "Value probably \$2." Nothing
 was known about the contents of
 the other three letters addressed to
 points beyond Victoria.

The last sack found open on
 arrival was despatched from
 Windsor Jan 15, 1884 and reached
 St. Townsend Jan 20th and Victoria
 next day, nothing was missed from
 this. The little sack with the
 registered letters did not happen to
 be in the sack that was opened.

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7 the mail. Jan 24, to put it on board for Victoria, and on that occasion he put the sack into the closet, placed the U.S. Mail lock on the door and accompanied the sack into the Victoria office.

I believe the I.M. at New Tacoma is reliable and as a matter of safety I requested him to have all the sacks of Canadian letter mail taken to his office and asked him to carefully examine each sack and in case he found one broken open to telegraph to you at San Francisco.

I also requested him to hold the sacks every other week day so that none of them need be taken into the Port Townsend office to lie twenty four hours. This will not delay the mails, and there will be less risk as they will be sent through direct without change. But the important point is that in case

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Charlottetown.

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more of them need be taken into
the Post-Office to be taken into
your house. This will not delay
the mails, and there will be less
risk as they will be sent through
direct without change. But the
important point is that in case

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the sacks are tampered with we shall know who has charge of them.

I learned from the Canadian authorities that their letter mail is contained in the small canvas sacks, - in all sacks fastened with a lead seal and sacks that are locked.

I think it important that all sacks containing letters or valuable packages despatched from Windsor to Victoria should be locked. These sacks ought also to be of a size or color that would be easily distinguished at a glance in the rush and hurry of a transfer.

The lead seals on the present letter sacks are flimsy and weak. They are liable to be broken by the rough handling and ^{hard} usage they receive from railroad men and deck hands in the frequent transfer over the long journey from Windsor to Victoria.

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The books are tampered with and
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9 I do not know as we shall be able to find where the sacks are opened in case this work continues, unless we have them watched and reported upon daily at more than one point along the route.

If we were to depend on reports from Victoria it would be almost impossible to tell what Postal Clerks were in charge of pouches that were opened because the daily mail from Windsor is consolidated into a tri-weekly before it reaches Victoria.

The main thing is to have the mails properly locked at Windsor, in pouches easily distinguished, and then direct Postal Clerks to keep those pouches constantly under their care or secured by a mail lock.

You will readily see the difficulty of finding on which run or ~~at~~ what place this depredation was committed.

Very respectfully

J. H. Seybold Esq
 P.O. Inspector
 San Francisco

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Very respectfully

Inspector

Wm. Thompson
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Feb'y 9th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharps
 Chief of Inspectors
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I am pleased to acknowledge the receipt of warrants you asst. Treasurer San Francisco as follows.

1098 B. H. Brown for \$120⁰⁰
 # 1077 J. J. McCorkle " \$120⁰⁰
 # 1100 R. W. McCormick \$120⁰⁰
 # 1101 J. T. Randall - \$120⁰⁰
 # 1102 J. C. Hancock - \$120⁰⁰

Same will be forwarded to O.M.
 P.M. A.D. registered today for
 delivery to Prof. Brown.

Very respectfully
 The Inspector

July 7th

Post Office
Chief Inspector
Washington DC

Sir:

I have pleasure to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 1st inst. in relation to the above named matter.

#1000 - Mr. J. M. [unclear] for \$100.00
#1001 - " " " " " \$100.00
#1002 - Mr. A. M. [unclear] \$100.00
#1003 - " " " " " \$100.00
#1004 - " " " " " \$100.00

These are being forwarded to you. The receipt is being retained for your files.

Very respectfully,
[Signature]

Loyalton Cal. (Special)

Feb 12th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp

Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.

Sir

The enclosed special report
of Inspector Robinson relative
to money order business at the
Loyalton, Cal. postoffice is herewith
respectfully forwarded
for the information of Subt.
Money Order System. I will
send an Inspector to make
a full investigation as soon
as it is possible for him to get
there. &c. Very respectfully
Geo. L. Dyball
Inspector

Department of Agriculture

Feb 19 1882

Chief of Bureau
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the matter of the proposed amendment to the constitution of the District of Columbia. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, very truly,
J. M. Smith

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(Spec. Rep.) San Francisco Feb 11th 4

Geo. L. Seybreth Esq

P. O. Inspector.

Sir

I have to inform you
 that on January. 29th 1884. I left
 San Francisco intending to go to Loyaltan
 Sierra Co. to investigate case # 27345-C
 and also to examine M. O. Business at
 that office. Arriving at Truckee
 Jan 30th found that on account of
 snow there was no throughfare to
 Sierra Valley & Loyaltan. I went on
 to Eureka Nev. & Elko. on other
 matters, and returning arrived at
 Truckee Feb. 3rd Monday Feb 4th

27th

(Specimen) San Francisco Feb 11th 4

Wm. A. Deane Esq
 Wm. A. Deane Esq
 Wm. A. Deane Esq

I have to inform you
 that on February 27th 1844 I left
 San Francisco intending to go to
 Santa Co. to investigate case 27th-2
 and also to examine Mr. A. Deane at
 that office. During at San
 Jan 30th found that on account of
 snow there was no possibility to
 leave Valley & destination. I went on
 to Santa Jan 30th & on other
 matters, and returning arrived at
 San Francisco Feb 3rd Monday Feb 4th

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started in severe snow storm on the road to Suina Valley. after going about four miles in five hours. the horses gave out, and the sleigh was left in the road. and with the horses to break out the road, one of the horses carrying the mail and express, we turned about and started on foot through four feet to six feet of snow for Truckee where we arrived at 6 P.M. being six hours on the way. On Wednesday Feb. 7th the contractor started out with six horses. "packing" the mail and succeeded in getting through to Suina Valley on Friday night, being 3 days on the road. It will not be possible to obtain transportation to Logansport until at least two weeks from

until at least two weeks from
 obtain transportation to Sagallah.
 It will not be possible to
 night, being 3 days on the road.
 through to China Valley on Friday
 the mail and passengers in getting
 started out with my horse, packing
 on Wednesday Oct. 7, the contractor
 & P. M. being my horse on the way.
 for Junction where we arrived at
 through from just a few feet of snow
 turned about and started on foot
 carrying the mail and express, we
 to break out the road, one of the horses
 left in the road, and with the horse
 horse gone out, and the sleigh was
 about four miles in five hours. The
 near to China Valley. After going
 started in severe snow storm on the

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this time, if so soon. I remained
in Truckee until Saturday Feb. 9th
but as there was no likelihood that
the road would be open for some
days, returned to San Francisco. As
soon as it is possible to get through
the postmaster at Truckee will
notify me and I will return
and make the investigation.

Very respectfully,

W. A. Robinson

Inspector

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this time, if so soon. I remained
 in Jackson until Saturday Feb. 9th
 but as there was no likelihood that
 the road would be open for some
 days, returned to Van Hornes. As
 soon as it is possible to get through
 the mountains at Jackson will
 satisfy me and I will return
 and see what the investigation

Truly respectfully,
 W. L. Robinson
 Jackson

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Feb'y 12th 4

Capt. A. S. Sharp.

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of Jan'y 6th last relative to arrest of Frank Gray for the robbery of the Gerald, Nevada postoffice on August 15th last, of postage stamps &c. &c. amounting to \$43⁰⁰ I would respectfully state that I have made a careful investigation of this matter and find that Thomas Hager, Constable at Battle Mountain, Nevada, is entitled to the full credit for the arrest

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Reply to

Chief of U.S. Bank
Washington, D.C.

Referring to your communication of Jan 1st last relative to amount of Bonds for the redemption of the Bonds, through post office our agent is at last, of postage stamps to be amounting to \$1000. I have made a careful investigation of this matter and find that the amount of Bonds, payable at the U.S. Bank, is entitled to the full credit for the amount

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and that he obtained all the evidence necessary to insure the conviction of Gray and recovered from him all of the stamps and government property stolen. Mr Stager displayed considerable ability in making this arrest and was put to considerable expense in doing so besides losing much time in attending to his examination and at his trial.

I am aware that it is not customary to pay rewards for the arrest and conviction in cases of this kind - though under the old Regulations (1873) Postmasters were allowed to offer rewards for the arrest and conviction of this class of offenders. As a

It is to be observed that the various
 measures to secure the conviction
 of the offender from their
 state of the offence and government
 perfectly attain. The object of this
 is to secure the conviction of the
 offender in the most effectual
 manner possible in the
 present state of the law.
 It is not in itself.

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matter of justice Mr Stager should be paid for his time and be reimbursed for expenses. and I think it would be but just that he be allowed the sum of \$50⁰⁰ in this case. He recovered nearly that amount in stamps and Government property - which would have been lost either to the Government or to the postmaster at Gerald, Tex., had it not been for Constable Hagen arresting Fray, and it is very questionable whether an Inspector, several days after the robbery occurred, would have been able to have obtained this property as Fray would most likely have made disposition of it at first opportunity.

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 be paid for his time and his services
 rendered for expenses. and I think
 it would be but just that he be
 allowed the sum of \$500 in this
 case. The recovered nearly that
 amount in stamps and Government
 property which would have been
 lost either to the Government or
 to the contractors at Groveland, Ohio.
 Had it not been for Countable
 the Government property, and it is
 very questionable whether or
 Clusfater, several days after the
 robbery occurred, would have
 been able to have obtained
 this property as they would be
 most likely have made Clusfater
 live up to it at first opportunity

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You will find herewith a full record of trial together with a copy of indictment certified to by the Clerk of the Court.

In my judgment the case merits a reward and the amount asked for - ie \$50⁰⁰ - would be a very reasonable sum to allow Mr. Stager for the work and time expended on this case.

Very respectfully,
Geo. L. Lybott
Inspector

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Your will find herewith a full
 record of trial together with a
 copy of indictment certified to
 by the Clerk of the Court.
 The jury returned the
 case with a verdict and the
 amount asked for - is \$50.00 - would
 be a very reasonable sum to
 allow Mr. Jones for the work
 and time expended on this case.
 Very respectfully
 Wm. L. Hughes
 Counselor

"Barkus vs. Seary"

Feb. 14th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharps

Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

Sir

The enclosed communication from
Genl. David W. Barkus, postmaster at
San Francisco, Cal., was received by
me in the 8th inst. - requesting that
certain charges made by one A. J. Seary,
a stationer on Sansome Street, be
investigated and especially the charge
that Le Count Bros, paid a com-
mission of 10% on all goods pur-
chased by the San Francisco postoffice

This charge - if sustained - should
cause the removal of General

London or New York

Sept. 14th

Chief of Police
New York City

The enclosed communication from
Chief of Police, New York, dated
Sept. 14th, 1890, has been received by
this Bureau. It is very interesting that
a number of changes made by our
Bureau in the past - particularly that
relating to the removal of the
Bureau from the Court House, and
the removal of the Court House
from the Court House, have been
made by the New York Police
Bureau. This change - if sustained - should
be the removal of the Bureau

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Backus from the position he now holds. On receipt of these papers I called at Mr Sear's place of business and was informed by his book-keeper that he was confined to his house and that it was better to wait a few days before seeing him - as he was under the charge of a physician and physically not in a condition to give any information regarding the difficulty between him and General Backus. Yesterday morning I again called at Mr Sear's place of business and saw him. When I requested him to give any evidence he might have regarding the charge made by him. He very frankly stated that he had no evidence whatever that any commission had been received

and communication has been received
 from the authorities that
 the very friendly state that he
 regarding the charge made by
 to give any assistance he might have
 and was him. When I requested him
 called at Mr. Deary's place of business
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 the charge of a physician and physician
 before seeing him - as he was under
 that it was better to wait a few days
 that he was confined to his house and
 was informed by his book keeper
 called at Mr. Deary's place of business
 London. Our receipt of these papers
 London from the position he now

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by either Genl. Backus or any other
person connected with the San Fran-
cisco, Cal., post office - and that this
charge was made at a time when
he was under the influence of liquor
and that no person regretted more
than he that it had been made
as there was no foundation for same
and would not have been made had
he not been under the influence
of liquor as before stated. His ex-
planation of his disgraceful act
is as follows: - On the day when the
difficulty between himself and Genl.
Backus occurred he was drinking
somewhat heavily and meeting some
friends who were anxious to assist
him in his trade, the question
was asked why he did not furnish

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 him in his trade, the question
 friends who were anxious to assist
 connected heavily and meeting some
 Doberman answered he was drinking
 sufficiently between himself and Doberman
 is as follows - On the day subsequent
 explanation of his disapprobation of
 of liquor as before stated. He ex-
 he was then under the influence
 and would not have been made had
 as there was no fermentation for some
 than he that it had been made
 and that no person reported more
 he was under the influence of liquor
 charge was made at a time when
 given, Col. Post office - and that this
 former connected with the Doberman
 by written Doberman or any other

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the supplies for the San Francisco post office. With the feeling in his mind that he should at least enjoy a portion of the patronage of the post office he called on General Backus and unannounced walked into his private office and demanded to know of him if he knew who he was. The Genl. replied that he did not, where he stated "I am Captain Leary" and demanded to know why the patronage of the post office was not given him.

Genl. Backus attempted to explain that but very few articles were purchased here - the supplies being furnished by the Department direct from Washington, and tried further in a gentlemanly way to

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 was purchased here the outfit in
 explain that but very few articles
 Genl. Barker attempted to
 was not given him.
 the passport of the postoffice
 and was intended to know why
 not, when he stated "Genl. Barker
 was. The Genl. replied that he did
 to know of him if he knew who he
 into his private office and demanded
 Barker and unceremoniously walked
 the postoffice he called on General
 for a portion of the passport of
 which that he should at least en-
 postoffice. With the feeling in his
 the outfit for the Genl. Barker

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make Mr Seary understand that the Post office here had no intention of slighting him in its patronage and that personally he (Genl Backus) did not attend to the purchasing - but that Mr Dougherty the Assistant Postmaster attended entirely to that business. Mr Seary thereupon stated that such was not true and charged that LeCount Bros, paid a commission of 10% on all articles sold to the San Francisco Postoffice, which charge General Backus indignantly denied. Seary continued to use abusive language finally calling the General a "liar" with result as stated in articles herewith. I do not see that the Postmaster could have done differently and preserved his self respect

make Mr. Henry understand that the Post
 office here has no intention of obliging
 him in its postage and that person
 alleged (but denied) did not attend
 to the forwarding - but that Mr. Douglas
 by the Assistant Postmaster attended
 entirely to that business. Mr. Henry
 thereupon stated that such was not
 true and charged that the Court had
 paid a commission of 10% on all
 articles sold to the San Francisco
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 finally calling the General a "liar"
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 herewith. I do not see that the
 postmaster could have done differently
 and preserved his self respect

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Regarding the charge of money being paid by Le Count Bros, or any other firm to any person connected with the San Francisco postoffice, I fail to find a particle of evidence to sustain the same, and I do not believe that there is any truth in it. The supplies have been purchased by Mr Dougherty - the Assistant Postmaster of different persons - perhaps more of Le Count Bros, than any other firm and it appears that while General Barker examined the accounts he has in no way influenced or instructed his asst to make their purchases from any particular house.

In explanation of the fact that more goods have been —

regarding the charge of money being
 paid by Account Book, or any other
 fair to any person connected with
 the New Brunswick Postoffice, I fail
 to find a particle of evidence to
 sustain the same, and do not believe
 that there is any truth in it. The
 supplies have been purchased by
 our Comptroller - the Assistant Post
 master of different persons besides
 master of the Post Book, than any
 other firm and it appears that
 while General Barker examined
 the accounts he has in no way
 influenced or interfered in any
 to make their purchases from any
 particular house.
 An explanation of the fact
 that more goods have been

NORVAL N. EDWARDS
1913 South Date Avenue
Alhambra, Calif. 91803

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purchased of Le Count Bros, than
any other firm Mr Dougherty
states that their prices were generally
lower and their goods always satisfactory

I find that the bill of Le Count
Bros, for 3rd quarter '83, was only \$457.¹⁸
and for the 4th quarter but \$10.²⁵ Other
expenses incurred were with the
knowledge of the Department and
early authorized before made, and
I feel satisfied that General Backus
has had a watchful care over all
disbursements and that he has in no
way profited by any purchases
made for his office.

Mr Seary admits to me that
there was not the slightest ground
for this charge of his and that he
would never have made it had

purchase of the Countess, than
 any other firm was brought
 into that their prices were generally
 lower and their goods always satisfactory
 I find that the bill of the Count
 was for the 1st quarter but 10⁰⁰ other
 for the 2nd quarter 8⁰⁰ was only 14⁰⁰
 reference is made more with the
 knowledge of the Department and
 only suggested before made and
 I feel satisfied that General Gordon
 has had a most careful and overall
 examination and that he has in no
 way profited by any purchases
 made for his office.
 Mr Henry Adams to me the
 there was not the slightest ground
 for this charge of his and that he
 would never have undertaken

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he been in his proper mind ^{and} seemed most anxious to do General Barks justice by retracting the statements made ^{and} further said he would as soon as he had recovered from the effects of the debauch he had been on - personally apologize for the injustice he had done him.

The above report ^{and} papers herewith are forwarded for your information.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Seyboth
Inspector

be born in his proper mind and seen
 at most anxious to do General Jackson
 justice by retracting the statements
 made and further said he would
 as soon as he had recovered from
 the effects of the attack he had
 known personally apologize for
 the injustice he had done him.
 The above report and papers here-
 with are forwarded for your
 information.

Very respectfully
 Wm. L. Russell
 Chaplain

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Feb'y 15th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp.
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington, D. C.

Sir.

The enclosed communication from A. S. White - one of the sureties on the bond of F. W. Girard, late postmaster at Casa Grande, Arizona is respectfully forwarded for the information of your office. Demand has been made on N. C. H. John the other surety - who is now a clerk in one of the Departments at Washington, D. C. & notwithstanding the fact that he has been written to he fails to reply.

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Sept 12th

Post A. S. Black
 Chief A. S. Inspector
 Washington D. C.

Sir.

The enclosed communication
 from A. S. White - one of the
 route bank of A. S. White, late
 partner at Lane Bank, Oregon
 is respectfully forwarded for the in-
 formation of your office. Should
 have been made an A. S. White
 other assets - who is now a clerk
 in one of the departments at Wash-
 ington D. C. and notwithstanding the
 fact that he has been written to
 he fails to reply.

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If the amount due (\$26⁸⁷) by late postmaster Girard cannot be collected from St John it looks as though the Government would have to lose it - as White is a bankrupt and Girard's whereabouts are unknown to this office. As Mr St John is now in Washington, D.C. I would suggest that he be seen and a demand made upon him for the money. He received the letter from this office (sent Jan'y 15/84) as it was sent registered and the return receipt ~~came~~ back properly signed by him. still he does not deem it of sufficient importance to inform this office whether he will or will not pay it.

I draw no action further

I have been making further
 calls on will not pay it,
 inform the office whether he
 of sufficient importance to
 by him. It is to be done not
 exist ~~some~~ back properly
 sent registered and the return to
 office (sent Jan 17/84) as it was
 received the letter from the
 upon him for the money. He
 that he be seen and a demand made
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 office. The Mr. St John is now in
 where agents are unknown to the
 it as habits is a bankrupt and there
 the Government would have to lose
 as from St John it looks as though
 postmaster General cannot be called
 if the amount due (2500) by late

in this case and report the above
facts to you in order that I
may be informed what dispo-
sition to make of papers.

Very respectfully

Inspector

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in this case and respect the above
 facts to you in order that I
 may be able to send what I
 desire to order of books.
 Very respectfully

Chapman

Jack King & Wm Adams / stage robbers.

Feb'y 18th 4

Capt A. G. Sharp.

Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter from J. M. Thacker
refers to the arrest, by him, of
Jack King and Wm Adams for robbing
the mails in Idaho on 25th and 31st
days of July 1882. These persons
were convicted and sentenced to the
Territorial prison at Boise, Idaho,
for life. This arrest was made
by Mr Thacker and he furnished the
evidence which secured their con-
viction and is therefore, I think,
justly entitled to the reward

back thing
was coming

July 18th

Post C. B. Black.
Chief of Detachment
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed letter from Mr. Charles
refers to the report, by him, of
back thing and the same for robbing
the mails in Utah on Sept 1st
at night of July 1881 - Three persons
were convicted and sentenced to the
penitentiary prison at Boise, Idaho,
for life - This report was made
by Mr. Charles and he furnished the
evidence which secured their con-
viction and is therefore, I think,
greatly entitled to the honor of

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claimed by him as they were
both convicted ^{and} sentenced for
robbing the mail.

In this connection I would
respectfully call your attention
to the fact that the parties referred
to are the same whom Inspector
Schaute recommended transferring
to a safer prison under date of
Sept 11-88 - owing to their repeated
statements that they would in
long make their escape from the
prison at Boise, Idaho. - As to whether
or not they were transferred I
am unable to state - but think
they have been sent to Detroit. If
however they have not been trans-
ferred I would say that from
information received through

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obtained by him on the 11th
last connected with the
robbing the mail.

but this connection I would
respectfully call your attention
to the fact that the parties referred
to are the same persons who
delivered the recovered property
to a safe prison under date of
Sept 11-80 - owing to their repeated
statements that they would not
long make their escape from the
prison at Boise, Idaho. As to whether
or not they were transformed I
am unable to state - but think
they have been sent to Detroit. If
however they have not been there
formed I would say that from
information received through

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Chief Special officer Hume of Wells
Fargo & Co. Ex. it would appear that
Boice is not a safe place to keep
that kind of offenders.

Mr Thacker has at different
times written the Department re-
garding this reward but so far
has not even received a reply.
On Nov 5/83 Inspector Schawte
referred a letter from him to
your office requesting that he be
notified as to his claim.

Very respectfully

Inspector

Chief Special Officer of the
 Force No. 3. It would appear that
 there is not a safe place to keep
 that kind of offenders.
 Mr. Thacker has at different
 times written the Department re-
 garding this record but so far
 has not even received a reply.
 On Nov 2/83 Inspector Abbott
 informed a letter from him to
 your office requesting that he be
 notified on his return.
 Very respectfully
 Inspector

Brass lock pouch
between The Dalles and Mitchell (Oregon)

Feb. 18th 4

Capt A. G. Sharp.

Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed report from Inspector
Culver - relative to a brass lock
pouch between The Dalles and Mitchell
Oregon - is respectfully forwarded to
your office for reference - Inspector
Culver recommends that a Brass
lock be put on between above offices.
If Mitchell is made a brass lock office
it will save much time in the hand-
ling of registers on that route.

Very respectfully
Geo. Lytle
Inspector

James Buchanan & Mitchell (copy)

Feb. 18th

Chief of Dept.
Washington D.C.

The enclosed report from Buchanan
relates to a gross lack
of faith between the public and Mitchell
proper is respectfully forwarded to
your office for reference - Buchanan
relates recommendations that a gross
lack be put on between above office
If Mitchell is made a gross lack office
it will save much time in the hands
of registration on that route.
Very respectfully
J. Buchanan

Portland, Oregon Sept. 15 4

Sir:

Herewith please find the papers in reference to a through pouch between The Dalles and Mitchell, Oregon.

There is now a through pouch between The Dalles and Canyon City which is beyond Mitchell on the same route - or line, the route really terminates at Mitchell.

Upon an examination of the records of The Dalles office I find that the following registered letters passed between The Dalles and Mitchell, and points beyond Mitchell, during January 1884.

From The Dalles to Mitchell 14, to Halverson 1,
to Monument 3, Camp Watson 1, John Day 1,

Portland, Oregon Sep. 15

Dear Sir:

I have just received the paper in reference to a through coach between the Haller and Mitchell, Oregon.

There is now a through coach between the Haller and Canyon City which is beyond Mitchell on the same route - or line, the route is by the same route at Mitchell.

I am in examination of the records of the Haller office & find that the following registered letters passed between the Haller and Mitchell, and points beyond Mitchell, during

January 1884.

From the Haller to Mitchell 14, to Portland 1, to Monument 3, Camp Porter 1, John Day 1,

Canyon City 7, Prairie City 3, Camp Harney 2,
Long Creek 3, total 65 - making 20 between
Mitchell and Canyon City that did not
go into the present through pouch.

From Mitchell, and beyond, toward
The Dalles, in January 1884: Mitchell 38,
Waldron 8, Monument 2, John Day 7,
Canyon City 22, Prairie City 4, Camp Harney 11,
Long Creek 10, total 100 - making 55 that
would not, or did not go into the present
through pouch, or 75 registers in Jan,
out of 165, that had to be handled by all
the Post Masters between The Dalles and Mitchell.

There is great delay now on account of
the large amount of registers on this route,
and I recommend that a brass lock pouch
be put on between The Dalles and Mitchell.

Very respectfully,

G. L. Seybolt.
C. C. Inspector.
San Francisco.

J. O. Culver
Inspector

I have in great mind now on account of
 the large amount of registers on this route,
 and I recommend that a horse be put
 do put on between the rollers and Mitchell.
 Very respectfully,
 J. O. Sullivan
 Inspector

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 the large amount of registers on this route,
 and I recommend that a horse be put
 do put on between the rollers and Mitchell.
 Very respectfully,
 J. O. Sullivan
 Inspector

The rollers in Lawrence 1884. Mitchell 38.
 Wilder 8. Thompson 2. John 7.
 Canyon City 22. Prairie City 4. Camp Horn 11.
 Ford Creek 10. total 100 - including 22 that
 would not, or did not go into the present
 through force, or 72 registers in fact,
 out of 102, that had to be handled by all
 the best masters between the rollers and Mitchell.
 out of 102, that had to be handled by all
 through force, or 72 registers in fact,
 would not, or did not go into the present
 Ford Creek 10. total 100 - including 22 that
 Canyon City 22. Prairie City 4. Camp Horn 11.
 Wilder 8. Thompson 2. John 7.
 The rollers in Lawrence 1884. Mitchell 38.
 John Mitchell, and beyond, toward
 go into the present through force.
 Mitchell and Canyon City that did not
 Ford Creek 3, total 67 - including 20 between
 Canyon City 3. Camp Horn 2.

J. O. Sullivan
 Inspector

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Feb'y 20th 4

Capt A. G. Sharp.

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Will you please obtain a statement from the Hon. Auditor for the P. O. Department of the amount of stamps - stamped envelopes ^{and} Postal cards on hand at the Hay Creek, Wasco Co., Oregon postoffice at close of Qu'tr. ended March 31/82, ^{and} also, if possible, a statement of amount on hand at that office at close of Qu'tr., ended June 30th of same year.

Mr D. M. Baldwin - who

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July 20th

Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

Will you please obtain a state
ment from the Hon. Auditor for
the Department of the amount
of stamps - stamped envelopes and
postal cards on hand at the May
term, 1890, Oregon Postoffice
at close of term, ended March 31/90
and also, if possible, a statement
of amount on hand at that office
at close of term, ended June 30th

of same year.

Very respectfully,
Wm. A. McLaughlin

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was the postmaster at said place
 at that time ^{and} when the fire
 occurred (July 9th 82) is willing ^{and}
 anxious to settle the amount
 that he is owing the Government
 but is satisfied ^{and} certain that a
 greater amount of stamps &c.,
 were burned than the estimate
 made by the Hon. Third Asst.,
 Postmaster General. He claims
 that no stamps whatever were
 saved from the fire ^{and} will make
 affidavit to that effect ^{and} if the
 records of the Department show
 the amount on hand at close of
 Quarters ended June 30 82 - then the
 amount destroyed can easily
 be ascertained {

very respectfully

Inspector

now the footman at said place
 at that time ^{and} within the five
 occurred (supposed) is willing ^{and}
 anxious to settle the amount
 that he is owing the Government
 but is satisfied ^{and} certain that a
 greater amount of stamps ^{is}
 more desired than the estimate
 made by the Hon. Third Secy.
 Postmaster General. His claims
 that no stamps whatever were
 saved from the five ^{and} will make
 sufficient to that effect ^{and} if the
 records of the Department show
 the amount on hand at close of
 last year ended June 30th - then the
 amount ^{is} ~~deducted~~ ^{can} easily
 be ascertained. }
 Respectfully
 Obedient

Fort Halleck, Nev.

Feb. 25th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter is respectfully forwarded for the information of your office. In this connection I would state that I sent Inspector Robinson to Fort Halleck, Nev., a short time ago and I thought that the money order business in future at that office would be conducted with more regard for the Postal Laws and Regulations but it does not seem to have improved the postmaster very

Fort Mifflin, Oct 10

Adly. 21st

Capt. C. B. Clark
Chief of the Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter is respectfully
forwarded for the information of
your office. In this connection
I would state that about three
to four months ago I thought
that the money order business in
future at that office would be
conducted with more regard
for the Postal Laws and Regulations
but it has not seem to have
improved the situation very

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much. He again puts forth the plea that he cannot afford to neglect his private business to attend to money order business.

I think Alger is honest ^{and} if he was always at his post of duty would conduct the business properly. The San Francisco post office has complained several times of irregularities concerning the Fort St. Vallery, Hav, post office ^{and} I have written to him continually, thinking that in future he would attend more closely to his business. His letter herewith does not appear encouraging ^{and} I now think that the wisest plan would be to discontinue the Money Order business at that

much. He again sent forth the
 plea that he cannot afford to
 neglect his private business to
 attend to money order business.
 I think Mr. P. is honest but if he
 was always at his post of duty
 would conduct the business
 properly. The San Francisco
 Post Office has complained some
 times of irregularities concerning
 the Post Office, other Post Office
 and I have written to him con-
 sidering, thinking that in future
 he would attend more closely to
 his business. His letter however
 does not appear encouraging
 and I now think that the worst
 plan would be to discontinue
 the Money Order business at that

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office.

These facts are submitted
for the judgment of your office
and that of Supt. M. O. System
Very respectfully

Inspector

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office.

These facts are submitted
for the judgment of your office
and that of the District Attorney
Very respectfully

Respectfully
Submitted

758⁰⁰Feb'y 26th ✓

Capt. A. G. Sharpe
 Chief P. T. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

The endorsed papers and report
 of Inspector Sammons are
 herewith respectfully forwarded
 for the information of your office.

I received a complaint
 from A. J. Hall (at Filton California
 through Dist. Atty. Wilborn - charg-
 ing that some persons had opened
 his mail - and - as my Clerk Mr. Benson
 was going down to that place I
 asked him to look into the matter
 and see what there was in it.

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Post Office
Chief of Post Office
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed papers and report
of the Chief of Post Office
are herewith respectfully forwarded
for the information of your office.
I received a complaint
from the Chief of Post Office (at the California
Branch, San Francisco) that
some persons had refused
to mail - and as my dear Mr. [Name]
was going down to that place I
wished him to look into the matter
and see what there was in it.

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He reported that in his judgment there was nothing in the charge that would warrant this office taking any action. But Hall again writing I concluded to send an Inspector there to make a thorough investigation. Inspector Bannerman being here at the time I requested him to investigate the matter ^{and} his report herewith will fully satisfy you - I think - that Hall is more or less a "Crab". The letter he refers to was opened by a Mr Poyer ^{and} was done clearly by a mistake ^{and} Hall so considered it until he had some trouble with Poyer ^{and} a Mr Armstrong ^{and} he then concluded to give them trouble.

Both of the men referred

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 ed to give their trouble,
 or the Constable and he then counselled
 had some trouble with Japer and
 and Hall so considered it until he
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 there to make a thorough investiga-
 I concluded to send our Constable
 any action. But Hall again writing
 would warrant this office taking
 there was nothing in the charge that
 He refused that in his judgment

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to stand very high at Felton and
 bear a good reputation. I am
 well satisfied that there is nothing
 in this case as Mr Bannerman
 very clearly sets forth all the
 circumstances and is also satisfied
 that the letter was not opened
 intentionally.

Very respectfully
 Geo. L. Seigbosh
 Inspector

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to stand very high at Bolton and
 bear a good reputation. I am
 well satisfied that there is nothing
 in this case as Mr. Garrison
 very clearly sets forth all the
 circumstances and is also satisfied
 that the letter was not referred
 inauthentic.

Very respectfully
 Wm. L. Briggs
 Secretary

758 Office.

San Francisco, Cal Feb 20th 4

Geo. L. Laybelle Esq.

P. O. Inspector.

Sir,

On the 16th instant I visited Felton, Cal. and personally investigated the accompanying complaint of Albert J. Hall against J. C. Armstrong and Albert G. Poyer the facts of which investigation I beg to submit in the following report.

There is no just ground for the complaint of Mr. Hall inasmuch as the letter in question was, as I have every reason for believing, opened through mistake and returned to him as soon as possible after the discovery of the error and further that he Hall expressed himself as being fully satisfied with the explanation of the matter as conveyed to him by Messrs. Armstrong and Poyer.

I found the last named young men at Felton and obtained from them in addition to their verbal acknowledgments the en-

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Don Francisco, Cal. 20th

Geo. L. Chapin, Esq.
P. O. Inspector.

Sir,

On the 16th instant I visited Alton, Cal. and personally investigated the accompanying complaint of Albert F. Bell against J. S. Huntington and Albert F. Chapin the facts of which investigation I beg to submit in the following report.

There is no first ground for the complaint of Mr. Bell inasmuch as the letter in question was, as I have every reason for believing, opened through mistake and returned to him as soon as possible after the discovery of the error and further that in case professed himself as being fully satisfied with the explanation of the matter as conveyed to him by Messrs. Huntington and Chapin.

I found the last named young man at Alton and obtained from him an admission to their verbal acknowledgment of the error.

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closed affidavits which furnish an explanation of the circumstances under which the letter was opened. I subsequently interviewed the complainant Hall whom I found in the woods about five miles distant from Helton, and from his statements and the manner in which they were made to me I feel warranted in reporting that he is to use a slang phrase "a little off" in his mental powers and that his reason for complaining against Armstrong and Pryor is simply because he has formed a crankish notion that they are in secret league against him and desire to deprive him of his occupation as a wood chopper. I feel entirely confident that there is not the slightest ground for this morbid suspicion on the part of Mr. Hall for the reason that both Armstrong and Pryor are, judging from their manners as well as from the opinions expressed of them by their neighbors and employers, upright and honest and entirely free from any ill or malicious feeling towards the old gentleman Hall. The opening of the letter took place in May 1883 but it was not until Jan 1884 after his becoming estranged from the young men that he conceived the purpose of making complaint. The letter

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closer acquaintance which formed an explanation of the circumstances
 under which the letter was opened. I subsequently interviewed the
 complainant John Hall whom I found in the woods about five miles
 distant from Ellston and from his statement and the manner in
 which they were made to me I feel warranted in reporting that he
 is to me a strong person "a little off" in his mental powers and
 that his reason for complaining against Armstrong and Rogers is
 simply because he has formed a mental notion that they are
 in secret league against him and there to deprive him of his
 occupation as a wood-chopper. I feel entirely confident that
 there is not the slightest ground for this mental suspicion or
 the want of John Hall for the reason that both Armstrong and
 Rogers are, judging from their manners as well as from the
 opinion expressed of them by their neighbors and employers, of
 right and honest and entirely free from any ill or malicious
 feeling towards the old gentleman Hall. The opening of
 the letter took place in May 1880 but it was not until four
 1884 after his becoming estranged from the young men that he
 conceived the fancy of making complaint. The letter

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was, as he himself acknowledged to me, returned to him at his cabin in the woods within half an hour from the time when it was brought into the "camp" by a Spaniard named Rodriguez, and the fact that it contained no article of value and was merely a communication from a little niece of his residing at Southampton, Mass. shows the utter hollowness of the complaint. Mr Hall virtually acknowledged to me that he knew of no just grounds for this complaint and when closely questioned as to his motives in writing to the U. S. District Attorney his face assumed a vacant expression and his only response was a half audible remark that a statement made by Pryer in January last to the effect "that he, Hall, if he wanted to make trouble, might fire away" caused him to feel that Armstrong and Pryer had intentionally opened his letter. In addition to his occupation as a wood-chopper Mr Hall is engaged, according to the assertions of those who know him most intimately, in seeking to discover "the true principle of perpetual motion" a fact which in itself would tend to illustrate the character of the old gentleman's ideas and indicate the amount of reliance which it would be safe and proper

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was, as he himself acknowledges to me, returned to him at his
 elbow in the woods within half an hour from the time when it
 was brought into the camp" by a Spanish named Rodriguez, and
 the fact that it contained no article of value and was merely a
 communication from a little piece of his residing at Ocotillo.
 These, shows the utter falseness of the complaint.
 I have, I think, sufficiently to me that he knew of no great grounds
 for this complaint and when closely questioned as to his motives
 in writing to the U. S. District Attorney his face assumed a more
 expressive and his only response was a half smile and the fact
 a statement made by Roger in January last to the effect that
 he shall if he wanted to make trouble. (might find many cases)
 him to feel that Armstrong and Roger had intentionally
 as his letter. In addition to his reputation as a wood-
 then Mr. Hall is engaged, according to the statement of those who
 know him most intimately, in seeking to discover the true prin-
 ciple of "perfect motion" a fact which in itself would tend to
 illustrate the character of the old son of a gun and mis-
 the amount of violence which it would be safe and proper

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to place upon his allegations in the case. Fully satisfied
that no wrong or injustice has been done him by either J. E.
Armstrong or A. G. Pryor and that there is no cause for action
against either of those young men I beg to advise that the
case be closed.

Respectfully,

J. R. Bauman,

Inspector.

Dec. 27

to place upon his allegations in the case. Truly satisfied
that no wrong or injustice has been done him by either of
Hunters or A. S. Jones and that there is no cause for action
against either of them covering over I beg to advise that the
case be closed.

Respectfully

W. F. Cummings

Shelton

Feb'y 29th 4

Capt A. G. Sharp
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully ask that
 this office be furnished with 100
 blank envelopes for post office
 Inspectors.

Very respectfully
 Geo. H. Bryant
 Inspector

Sept 27

Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Enclosed respectfully ask that
this office be furnished with 100
copies of the report of the
Commissioner of the
Bureau of Prisons

Very respectfully
J. Edgar Hoover
Director

Y-Pr 146 & cels

March 1st 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp.

Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

Herewith I forward to you
the Reg. return receipt for Reg.
letter # 11810 mailed at San Fran-
cisco Cal, on Dec. 18/83 by Louis
Forbes # 3 Harrison Ave. and addres-
ed to John Forbes (his father) at
South Chicago, Ill. containing
\$20.00 Greenback. Mr John Forbes
the person addressed is now
living with his son in this
city and positively asserts that
he did not receive the letter

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Washington D.C.
Chief of Construction
Dept. of War.



He did not receive the letter
 City and positively asserts that
 having visited his son in this
 the person addressed is now
 \$200 Greenback. Mr John Foster
 South Chicago, Ill. containing
 ad to John Foster (his father) at
 Foster # 3 American Ave. and address
 since Oct, and Dec 18/83 by Louis
 letter # 11810 received at San Francisco
 the Dep. return receipt for Dep.
 Amount of forward to you

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nor did he authorize anyone
 else to receive same for him.
 It will be noticed that the card
 is signed "John Forbes per. James
 Intoch" (who I think is the
 Supt at South Chicago Branch).
 I also enclose another return
 card showing the signature
 of John Forbes. The letter here
 with postmarked South Chicago.
 Dec. 28/83 - (on same date
 when Reg. letter # 11810 was deliv-
 ered) purports to be from
 Mr John Forbes to his son Louis
 but is not his writing - nor
 written by his authority - so
 he states. He is an old gentle
 man 85 years of age.

As the trouble seems to

On the trouble seems to
 mean 85 years ago.
 He states, He is an old gentle
 man, 85 years old - so
 written by his authority - was
 but is not his writing - was
 Mr. John Forbes to his son John
 and) present to be found
 under rep. letter # 11810 was dated
 Jan. Dec. 28/83 - (our source date
 with postmarked Dec. 28/83
 of John Forbes. The letter has
 and showing the signature
 also enclosed another return
 dated Dec. 28/83 (our source date)
 is signed "John Forbes for. J. M. M.
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 It will be noticed that the card
 also to receive some for him,
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be at office of destination the
papers are respectfully forward
ed for such reference as you
may see proper.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Seybold
Inspector

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 may see proper.

Very respectfully
 Geo. D. Bayly
 Inspector

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San Francisco 3/3 4
 Chief Postoffice Inspector
 Washington D.C.
 Inspector Tracy personally
 investigated Modesto case
 and recommends that post-
 master have permission
 to move. Fully concurred.
 Particulars by mail
 J. J. Sybolt
 (Collect Post-rate) Inspector

Chief Justice
Washington D.C.
Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the case of *United States v. Smith*. I have conferred with the other members of the Court and we are of opinion that the Court should grant a writ of *habeas corpus* in the case of *Smith*. I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,
John Jay
Chief Justice

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March 4th x

Capt A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

The Steamer "Ancon" belonging to the Pacific Coast Steamship Company leaving San Diego, Cal., on Feb'y 19-84 brought the mails from that place to Los Angeles, Cal., at the request of the postmaster at San Diego. under charge of special messenger - and Insfree for Tracy being at Los Angeles, Cal., at the time brought that mail and the accumulated mail at latter office through to San Francisco, Cal. This mail had been

March 17, 1864

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Capt. C. B. Smith
Chief of Police
Washington, D.C.

The "Green Terrors" belonging to the
Pacific Coast Steamship Company
leaving Honolulu, Cal, on Feb 19-64
brought the mail from that place
to the capital, Cal, at the request of
the Postmaster at San Diego - under
a copy of special messenger - and before
the Green being at Los Angeles, Cal,
at this time brought that mail
and the accumulated mail at
Post Office through to San Fran-
isco, Cal. This mail had been

laying at Los Angeles from Feb'y 16th
 and could not be dispatched as the
 Southern Pacific R.R. was washed
 out at that time from Mojave
 to Los Angeles and from Los Angeles
 East. On the 25th of February last
 a special contract was made by
 the postmaster at San Francisco
 with the Pacific Coast Steamship
 Company - to carry the mails bet-
 ween this place and points touched
 by them between here and San Diego.

It seems but just and right
 that this Company should be paid
 for the service rendered by them -
 commencing on the 19th day of
 February last - when the mails were
 dispatched from San Diego, Cal.
 There was an emergency in this

There were no newspapers in this
 district from San Diego, Cal.
 February last - when the mails were
 commencing on the 1st day of
 for the service rendered by them.
 that the Company should be paid
 at seven but not on right
 together between San Diego
 over the place of points touched
 Company - to carry the mails to
 visit the Pacific Coast. Steamship
 the foot of the San Bernardino
 or special contract was made by
 East. Under Art of February last
 to San Diego and from San Diego
 met at that time from Mexico
 Southern Pacific R.R. was wanted
 and could not be obtained on the
 leaving at Los Angeles from Feb 1st

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case which could only be met in the way it was. There was at the time no communication by mail or telegraph, and Inspector Tracy, as this office thinks, did the only thing proper to do as he was assured by the Supt. of the Los Angeles Division of the P. P. & A. that the road would in all probability not be open for three weeks.

What the Steamship Company now ask is that they be paid for the carrying of this mail and I would respectfully recommend that they be allowed the same rate of pay as that allowed them under temporary Contract made on Feb'y 20th. That is to say that they be allowed pay from

case which could only be met in
 the way it was. There was at the
 time no communication by mail
 or telegraph, and therefore Group
 on this office thinks, and the only
 thing proper to do as he was assured
 by the Dept. of the Surgeon Gen
 eral of the U.S.A. that the road
 would in all probability not be
 open for three weeks.
 That the ~~Department~~ ^{Department} of
 War is that they be paid for
 the carrying of this mail and
 moved not be allowed the same
 rate of pay as that allowed
 them under temporary contract
 made in July 1861. That is to say
 that they be allowed pay from

Feb'y 19/84. I am aware that this
service was not authorized by the
Hon. Second Asst. Postmaster Genl.,
but as there was no chance to com-
municate with this office or with
Washington, D.C. - Inspector Tracy
was compelled to act in what
his judgment told him was for
the best interests of the service, viz:
to bring the delayed mail through
to San Francisco by the only route
it could be brought at that time,
Very respectfully

Inspector

I am aware that this
 service was not anticipated by the
 Hon. Secy. Genl. Department but
 but as there was no chance to com-
 municate with this office or with
 Washington, D.C. - I have been
 now compelled to act in what
 the judgment told him was for
 the best interest of the service,
 to bring the delayed mail through
 to New Orleans by the only route
 it could be brought at that time.
 Very respectfully

J. B. Thompson

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San Francisco Cal Feb 27th 4

Sir

I have the honor to report that I left San Francisco on the 14th inst enroute to Los Angeles for the purpose of investigating the above mentioned case & a money order ^{can} at Los Angeles County as per letter & instructions from Capt M. C. Egan dated Jan 25th 1884. - The very severe storm which has prevailed throughout the Pacific States and Territories during the past few weeks caused a delay in the arrival of the train upon which I was traveling at Los Angeles. After my arrival at the latter place the rail roads were "washed out" in every direction and the bridges over streams which crossed

necessary, he compelled to stop even a minute
 away so that it was impossible for us to
 move in any direction either by R.R. or
 wagon - The mails did not arrive at or depart
 from Los Angeles from a to any point for
 several days - As the Steamer Mason was
 about to pass San Pedro en route from San
 Diego for San Francisco I had an interview
 with the Division Capt of the Southern Pacific
 R.R. and he informed me that in his opinion
 it would be full, three weeks before communica-
 tion would be re-established by rail road
 between Los Angeles & San Francisco -

There is no contract for carrying the mail
 between San Francisco and San Diego by
 sea and the Agent of the Steamship Line said
 he could not take the mail boxes and
 shipped ordinary freight - I informed
 him that if he would give us a room

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I promised to take them in the room with my-
 self and be responsible for them - to this
 he consented - The California Southern
 Rail Road between San Diego - and Boston
 is very badly damaged - It has not been a
 paying investment and a great deal of
 doubt is expressed as to whether the particular
 interest will feel disposed to expend the large
 amount of money that will be required to
 put it in running order and should they
 do so it will require several weeks perhaps
 months to put it in running order - in
 the mean time San Diego is cut off from
 all mail communication with the out-
 side world - The Postmaster at San Diego
 sent his mail ^{on the 19th} in charge of a special messenger
 by steamer to Los Angeles - I brought
 all the mail which had accumulated
 at Los Angeles together with the mail

The first thing I noticed when I stepped
 out of the car was the cold. It was
 a sharp contrast to the warm blanket
 of the car. I shivered slightly, but
 then I remembered that this was
 my first day in the city. I had
 to get used to it. I took a deep
 breath and walked towards the
 entrance of the building. The door
 was open, and I saw a man in a
 suit standing there. He looked at
 me and smiled. "Welcome," he said.
 I nodded and followed him into the
 building. The interior was grand, with
 high ceilings and ornate decorations.
 I felt a sense of awe as I walked
 through the halls. The man led me
 to a large room where several other
 people were gathered. They all looked
 at me with interest. The man
 introduced me to them, and I felt
 a sense of belonging. I was in the
 city, and I was part of it.

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received from San Diego, on the Steamer
 on board in a room which the Agent of the
 Steamship Co kindly placed at my disposal

At San Francisco The Steamer left San
 Diego May 29th and San Francisco the evening of July
 2nd and arrived at San Francisco July 23rd
 Hoping that my clearance in this matter
 will meet with the approval of the Department

Remain Very Respectfully,

Geo. H. Gray

P. O. Inspector

To

Geo. H. Seyboet Esq

P. O. Inspector

San Francisco - Cal

P.S. The telegraph wire was reported cut
 It was impossible to send or receive communica-
 tions by any means

G. H. Gray

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Capt. A. G. Sharpe
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully ask that
 this office be furnished with a
 statement of balance due the
 P. O. Department by Jacob Lando
 late postmaster, Judsonville,
 Contra Costa County, California.
 His brother Joseph Lando at
 #235 - 11th St., this city called
 here today and will no doubt settle
 the matter. { Very respectfully

Inspector

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Chief D. T. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:
I have respectfully and that
this office be furnished with a
statement of balance due the
D. T. Inspector by Forest Service
late Forest Ranger, Fresnoville,
County Santa Barbara, California.
I am further furnished with at
222 - 11th St. the city called
here today and will no doubt settle
the matter. Very respectfully
Inspector

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Capt. A. S. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I herewith respectfully acknowl-
 edge receipt of letter addressed
 to Thomas E. Hagan (Battle Mountain
 Nev.) containing Treasury warrant
 # 1601 for \$50⁰⁰ on Ass. U.S. Treas.
 San Francisco, Cal., in his favor.

Very respectfully

Inspector

March 20

Post Office
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I herewith respectfully acknowledge receipt of letter addressed to Thomas E. Hogan (Little Mountain) dated and received March 10th 1888 for \$50.00 on this I am pleased to say in his favor. Very respectfully

Charles Hogan

Loma Prieta Cal.

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Capt. A. G. Sharp

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington DC.

Sir;

Mr A. Sanborn - Secy. of the
Loma Prieta Lumber Company
at Watsonville, California, who
with others, is heavily interested
at Loma Prieta Santa Cruz Co.,
California, is desirous of having
a postoffice established at the
latter named place and James
A. Linscott appointed post-
master. This place is located
4 (four) miles in an almost
direct line North of Aptos

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a station on the railroad between Stationville ^{and} Santa Cruz ^{and} as there are about 200 people employed in ^{and} around the mills at that place it seems to me but just that they have an office established as requested. There has been a railroad completed from Aptos to the mills. There is also a store there ^{and} quite a number of other residences for employes ^{and} people around the mills. I would respectfully recommend that the office be established as requested by Mr. Sanborn. Enclosed please find form #1004 showing exact location of proposed office ^{and} how same can be supplied. ^{very respectfully}
 Geo. L. Seybold
 Inspector

a station on the railroad bet-
ween Chattanooga and Ooltahaw
and as there are about 200 people
employed in and around the
mills not that place it seems
to me but just that they have
an office established as requested
there has been a railroad com-
pleted from Ooltahaw to the mills
there is also a store there and quite
a number of other residences
for employees and people around
the mills. I would respectfully
recommend that the office be
established as requested by Mr
Barbours. Enclosed please find

form #1004 showing exact location
of proposed office and how same
can be supplied.
Very respectfully
Wm. L. Barber
Barbours

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Capt. A. G. Shaaf
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

In addition to my recommendation herewith dated 4th inst, recommending that the Pacific Coast Steamship Company be paid for services rendered prior to the 25th and prior to the time at which the temporary contract with that Company went into effect I would respectfully state that they performed no services between Feby. 22d and Feby 25th and therefore they should in my judgment not be

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the proposed extension of the route of the Pacific Railroad. I am sorry to hear that the Government is not disposed to grant the extension, but I am sure that the Government will do all that is consistent with the public interest. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 John C. Smith

Chief of B. & O. Railroad
 Washington D.C.

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allowed any pay for those days
but they should be paid for ser-
vices commencing on Feb'y 19th
and ending on 22^d - prior to date
of temporary contract.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Heyboer
Inspector

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 but they should be paid for
 vice - for the old 19th
 of the new one 20th - from to date
 of the new one 20th - from to date

Very respectfully
 Thos. L. Lloyd
 Secretary

Inspection San Fran. P.O.

March 7th &

Capt. A. G. Sharp

Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

On the 5th inst, Inspector Tracy and myself made an inspection of the post office at San Francisco, Cal, for the purpose of satisfying this office as to whether there was any shortage in the Postal or Money Order accounts there. That inspection was not made with a view of making a detailed report as provided for by form #573 but for the purpose of ascertaining whether the moneys

Washington D.C.

March 7th

Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:
On the subject, Inspector Tracy
and myself made an inspection of
the post office at San Francisco, Cal.
for the purpose of certifying this
office as to whether there was any
storage in the Post or Navy
room accounts there. That the
action was not made with a
view of making a detailed re-
port on provided for by form
#273 but for the purpose of as-
certaining whether the money

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belonging to that office: were being used improperly by any person connected therewith. The Inspection was made during the business hours of the office and at a time when no person connected therewith would have any warning that their accounts would be examined. The Postal account of the office in charge of Mr Stowe - the Cashier - was found correct and all moneys belonging to the Government, or vouchers therefor, were found in his possession. The Money order account, in charge of A. Jackson - Supt. of that Division - was found to be short \$227⁴⁰ and that shortage was accounted for by Mr Jackson

was accounted for by Mr Jackson
 that Division was found to be
 charge of Mr Jackson. List of
 the Navy Order account, in
 was found in his possession.
 Government, as vouchers therefor
 and all money belonging to the
 the Cashier - was found correct
 the office in charge of Mr Howe
 arrived. The total amount of
 that their accounts would be ex-
 with would have any money
 within no person accounted there-
 hours of the office and at a time
 was made during the business
 accounted therewith. The inspection
 need inspecting by any person
 belonging to that office: none being

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in part by the statement that he had drawn his salary therefrom for the month of March, but as that salary would only amount to \$183⁰⁰ I do not regard his explanation as very satisfactory. The amount is not great but the principle involved is just as serious; as a shortage of \$200⁰⁰ might at sometime in future become thousands. The shortage was reported to Genl. Backus the postmaster and he today informs me that he has turned over the Money Order Cash to Mr. Howe, the Cashier who in the future will be held responsible for same. In this connection it is but proper to state that

in fact by the statement that he
 had known his salary therefore
 for the month of March, but as
 that salary would only amount
 to \$83.00 he not regard his exple-
 ration as very satisfactory. The
 amount is not great but the
 principle involved is just as ex-
 -ensive; as a shortage of \$200.00
 might at some time in future
 become thousands. The shortage
 was reported to Dr. Barker
 the postmaster and he today in-
 forms me that he has turned
 over the money order book to
 Mr. Shaw, the Cashier who in the
 future will be held responsible
 for same. In this connection
 it is but proper to state that

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the orders of Genl. Baikus are that no person entrusted with money belonging to the Government ^{and} for which he is responsible shall be diverted for a single moment ^{and} he has never given his consent to any employé to use in any illegitimate manner such money, nor are employés allowed to anticipate their salaries before earned.

At an early day I will make another inspection of that office ^{and} report to you the result thereof on form as provided for that purpose, showing a detailed statement of the amount of stamps - stamped envelopes &c on hand - together ^{with} all moneys

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the members of the Board are
 that no person entitled with
 money belonging to the Board
 shall be entitled for a single
 moment to be ever given his
 consent to any proposal to use
 money illegitimate manner and
 money, nor are any proposals
 to be submitted to the Board
 before coming.

At our early day Board
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 office and report to you the re-
 sult thereof in form as provided
 for that purpose, showing a de-
 tailed statement of the amount
 of stamps - stamped envelopes
 and bank - together ^{with} all money

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and disbursements made by the
Cashier. I am satisfied however
from the investigation made as
stated, that at this time there
is nothing wrong with the Postal
account of the postmaster at
San Francisco, Cal., but regard it
as very proper that the Def't.,
should know of the shortage
in the money order accounts
even though the amount be
only \$227⁴⁰

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Rybolt
Inspector

and disbursement made by the
 cashier. Our satisfied answer
 from the investigation made as
 stated, that at this time there
 is nothing in our view the total
 account of the footman at
 our services, but regard it
 as very proper that the debt
 should be known of the shortage
 in the money order accounts
 even though the amount be
 only \$2.25

Very respectfully
 Wm. A. Lyford
 Cashier

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Capt. A. G. Sharpe
 Chief P. O. Inspektor
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

Herewith enclosed please
 find sworn statement of Harry
 M. Morse also certified transcript
 of the Judgment of the Court
 relative to arrest and sentence
 of "Black Bart" for which
 Morse has filed a claim for re-
 ward

Respectfully
 Gen. L. Seymour
 Inspector

Received of the
Hon. Secy of War

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Capt. A. B. Black
Chief of Dept.
Washington D.C.

Enclosed please
find return statement of
Mr. Moore also certified
of the judgment of the court
relative to arrest and sentence
of "Black Bart" for which
Moore has filed a claim for re-

Very respectfully
Yours
J. L. Webb

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Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed petition was sent
 to this office and is respectfully for-
 warded to you for reference to
 the Hon. First Asst. P. M. General.
 The names appearing thereon
 are those of the best and most re-
 liable citizens of Aptos and would
 indicate that they desire a
 change of postmasters - for what
 reason I do not know.

Very respectfully

Inspector

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Post Office
Chief Postmaster
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir,
The enclosed petition was sent
to the office and is respectfully
referred to you for reference to
the Hon. Post Office D. C. General.
The names appearing thereon
are those of the Post Office and most re-
sponsible citizens of the District and would
indicate that they desire a
change of Postmaster - for what
reason I do not know
Very respectfully

Charles

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Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I enclose herewith \$10²⁵ and papers
 in office case # 767 - violation of section
 # 233. P. L. & R. 1879. by Mrs Susie Cody
 and Miss Kate Hannigan. San Francisco
 Co. Cal. - by enclosing First Class matter
 into Third Class matter. Penalty \$10⁰⁰
 and postage 25¢. being \$5¹⁴ for each of
 the parties.

The persons sending the packages
 are ignorant and claim that they
 had no intention of doing wrong
 and this is their first offense.

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Capt. A. S. Smith
Chief D. T. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:
Enclosed herewith \$10.00 and papers
in office case # 767 - violation of section
233 D. T. Act. 1874 - by Mrs. Anne Cook
and Miss Kate Thompson. Dan. Thompson
Co. Cal. by enclosing first class matter
into which class matter. General \$10.00
and postage 25¢. being 3¢ for each of
the parties.

The persons sending the papers
are ignorant and claim that they
had no intention of doing wrong
and this is their first offense.

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I am inclined to think their statements are true so far as being ignorant of the law. They are both very poor and the payment of this money involved a great sacrifice on their part and I believe that the interests of justice would be served in this case by returning to them the amount of the penalty (\$0⁰⁰) they paying First Class rates on the package.

The matter is respectfully submitted for the consideration of the Hon. Postmaster General and for such action as he may deem proper.

Very respectfully

Inspector

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ments are true so far as being repur-
sant of the law. They are both very
poor and the payment of this
money involved a great sacrifice
on their part and I believe that
the interests of justice would be
served in this case by returning
to them the amount of the funeral
(800) they paying First Class notes
on the package.

The matter is respectfully
submitted for the consideration
of the Hon. Postmaster General
and for such action as he may
deem proper.

Very respectfully

Charles

Jack King & } Stage Robbers.
 Wm Adams }

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Capt A. G. Sharp
 Chief P.O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

Herewith I refer to you a certified copy of the judgement of the court in the cases of the U.S. vs Jack King & Wm Adams arrested and convicted for robbing the U.S. mails in Idaho on 25th and 31st of July 82. These men were both arrested by Mr Thacker as already stated and are now serving life sentences in the territorial prison at Boise Idaho.

Mr Thacker today informs me

Book 11 of 12
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Chief D.D. Grafton
 Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

Herewith I refer to you a copy of the first copy of the judgment of the court in the case of the U.S. vs. John Henry & Wm. Adams executed for robbing the U.S. mails in Idaho on 21st and 22nd of July 70. There were more but only the one shown as already stated and are now serving life sentences in the territorial prison at Boise Idaho.

Wm. Shaker today informs me

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that they are still in that prison though not at all safe as regards escape.

In this connection I would again most respectfully call your attention to letter of Inspector Schawte dated Sept. 11/83 and to my letter of Feby 18/84. It would certainly be aggravating to say the least and very dissatisfactory should these prisoners make good their escape owing to undue precaution in confining them to an unsafe prison.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Seyboth
Inspector.

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though not at all safe or secure
escape.

In this connection I would
again most respectfully call
your attention to letter of September
18th 1883 and to
my letter of July 18/84. It would
certainly be appropriate to say
the least and very satisfactory
should these prisoners make good
their escape owing to murder
for execution in confirming them
to an escape from
very respectfully
Geo. A. Lyndall
Superintendent

Dear Sir,
 Received letter from
 you dated 12th. 1884
 Chief Clerk of the
 Northern Pacific R.R.
 In the afternoon

J. Q. Inspector,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir,

The following detailed condition of affairs which I find existing at this point (the junction of the Utah & Northern and Northern Pacific Railroads), involves the interest and welfare of the service to an extent which I deem it proper to at once report for attention of the Department.

Since the beginning of last month, February, owing to delays caused by snow drifts, wash-outs, etc, the trains on the Northern Pacific R. R. have seldom arrived on schedule time at Garrison Junction and, owing to like causes, the trains on the Utah & Northern R. R. have also been prevented, but less frequently, from arriving according to schedule. The consequence is that the

Handwritten text in a cursive script, likely a list or account, written on aged paper. The text is arranged in several vertical columns, reading from right to left. The script is highly stylized and difficult to decipher, but appears to contain names and possibly dates or numerical values. The paper shows signs of wear, including creases and discoloration.

The following described condition of affairs which I find existing at this point - (the junction of the Utah & Northern and Southern Pacific Railroads), involves the interest and welfare of the service to an extent which I deem it proper to set over you.

The correspondence is that the
arriving according to schedule.
them H. R. have also been forwarded, but less frequently, from
junction and, owing to like causes, the trains on the West & Nor-
Pacific H. R. have been delayed on schedule time at Garrison
caused by snow drifts, wash-outs, etc, the trains on the Northern
since the beginning of last month, & beyond, owing to delays

postmaster at Garrison is obliged to receipt for and record all registered matter sent to his office by the postal clerks on both roads on every occasion when the trains fail to connect at the Junction. During the past forty five days, Feb 5th to March 2nd inclusive, he has so recorded and transferred eleven hundred and fifty seven (1157) letters and packages, and according to his own statement which I consider entirely trustworthy, found it necessary on several different occasions to work until between two and three o'clock a.m. so that the matter reaching his office late the previous evening should not be incorrectly accounted for or subjected to further delay in transit.

He is also required to keep a daily record of the arrivals of mail trains and transmit the same monthly to the Hon. Second Assistant P.M. General and in accordance with instructions from the Superintendent R. M. S. at San Francisco is required to furnish a monthly report of the arrivals and departures of the postal clerks registering daily at his office.

For many years he served as locomotive engineer on the Union Pacific R.R. but, having been disabled in a collision, is now serving as

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Postmaster at Danvers is obliged to receipt for all
all registered matter sent to his office by the postal clerk on
both weeks on every occasion when the train goes to Lowell
the Junction. During the past forty five days, Feb 2^d to
March 2^d inclusive, he has so received and transferred three
hundred and fifty seven (157) letters and packages, and ac-
cording to his own statement which is considered entirely trustworthy,
found it necessary on several different occasions to work until between
two and three o'clock a.m. so that the matter reaching his office
late the previous evening should not be incorrectly accounted for
as subjected to further delay in transit.

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mail trains and transmit the same monthly to the Hon. Sec.
Assistant J. M. General and in accordance with instructions
from the Superintendent, W. M. G. of Dan. Service is required
to furnish a monthly report of the arrival and departure of the
postal clerk's registered mail at his office.

For many years he served as locomotive engineer on the main line
and has been distinguished in a variety of ways during

liveliness by keeping a saloon the most respectably conducted establishment of its kind at Garrison. Being quite lame the duty of visiting the R. R. Station and the postal cars of the respective railroads, which he is frequently required to do in connection with the dispatching of registered matter, is not the least difficult of his obligations. His total remuneration for all forms of service rendered from Jan 1st up to the present date, amounts to \$21⁰⁰ dollars, being the sum of his commissions on cancellations of postage on matter mailed at his office. This, he states to me, is insufficient compensation for the arduous and responsible duties performed and unless the Department shall be pleased to make a fair and equitable allowance for clerk hire at his office he proposes to resign at an early date the position of postmaster. There are peculiar reasons why such action on his part might at the present time seriously embarrass the service at this point.

The town (?) of Garrison as it now stands "consists of the R.R. Station, ten wooden shanties and four canvas tents. Seven shanties and two tents are used as liquor and gambling saloons.

"Abolition" and "two tenths" are used as designations and pointing beyond.
 Station, the western "Abolition" and four common tenths.
 The town (!) of Garrison as its name stands consists of the 12th
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 last, difficult of his obligation.
 It is total remuneration.

The post office is kept in one of the tents immediately opposite the "St. Charles" Saloon of which the postmaster is proprietor. The "resident population" are principally a congregation of gamblers laying in wait for the unwary amongst the constantly arriving bands of gold hunters who, while en route to the Cour d'Alene mining region, are frequently detained in waiting for the trains. A few hours spent in the vicinity will convince the observer that outside the postmaster and the rail road employees there are probably not a dozen persons in the place whom it would be safe to entrust with the care of even an empty mail sack. The postmaster possesses no iron safe or other solid receptacle in which to deposit the valuable registered packages remaining over night in his office and in consequence he is obliged on such occasions to sleep on the benches. He assured me that on one particular occasion about three weeks since he remained up all night watching two benches in one of which he understood was enclosed a large money package for a bank at Helena. His shanty and tent are adequate, he says, to all the requirements of his

The first office is held in one of the tents immediately opposite
 to the "Charles" below of which the footman is stationed.
 The "resident" footman, one principally a company.
 Two of the gentlemen staying in tents for the night arranged the
 constantly arriving bands of poor hunters who, while in tents
 to the care of others, arriving region, are frequently detained in
 waiting for the tents. A few horses spent in the vicinity
 will however the horses that outside the footman and the
 and some perhaps there are probably not a dozen horses
 in the place where it would be safe to entrust with the care
 of even an empty tent.
 The footman's presence
 no more safe or other solid receptacle in which to deposit
 the valuable property of horses remaining over night in tents.
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 the benches. He assumes one that on one particular occasion
 about three weeks since the tent was all night watching
 two horses in one of which the hunter was enclosed a
 large money package for a bank at home. This is about
 and tent are exposed to the danger of all the requirements of his

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private business but should the Department decide to allow him a fair compensation for his services he will at once erect a substantial frame building in which the mails of all classes in his possession will be afforded ample protection and security inside a regular post office enclosure, in which he will also place one hundred delivery boxes for accommodation of the Railroad employes, commercial travellers and ranchmen who to the number of about three hundred find it a convenience to receive their mails at the Junction.

From conversation during the past three weeks with persons possessing an intelligent knowledge of the topography and climate of Western Montana, as well as from my own personal observation of the country as far west as Missoula, I am strongly of the opinion that during the coming months of April and May the delays on the Northern Pacific R.R. will occur even more frequently and be of longer duration than heretofore. The fall of snow during the past two months has been unusually heavy and it is said by persons familiar with the situation that the "chinook" winds and spring rains which

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 in this profession will be afforded ample protection and security
 inside a regular post office enclosure, in which he will also place
 one hundred oblique boxes for accommodation of the mails and
 telegraphic messages and arrangements made to the number of
 about three hundred feet in a convenient place to receive their mails
 at the frontier.

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 possessing an intelligent knowledge of the topography and
 climate of Western Montana, as well as from my own
 personal observation of the country as far west as Missouri,
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 April and May the delays on the Northern Pacific R.R. will
 be even more frequent and of longer duration than has
 been usually the case during the past two months has
 been unusually heavy and it is said by persons familiar with
 the situation that the "Chinese" will be springing rains which

are expected to appear within a few weeks from the present time will cause such a sudden melting of the beautiful that the floods resulting therefrom will be likely to wash away whole sections of the road which, as they assert, was hurriedly and in many locations poorly constructed last summer.

In view therefore of the possibility of such serious contingencies I would respectfully recommend that better protection be provided for the registered mails at present being held in transit at Garrison and for such still larger quantities as would, in the event of an interruption of travel for even two or three days on the Northern Pacific R.R., be certain to accumulate at that greatly exposed station.

Very respectfully,

E. R. Cammerman,

Inspector.

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 floods resulting therefrom will be likely to wash away whole
 sections of the road which, as they occur, was hurriedly and
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 In view therefore of the possibility of such serious contin-
 gencies I would respectfully recommend that better protection
 be provided for the registered mails at present being held
 in transit at Danvers and for such still larger quantities
 as would, in the event of an interruption of travel for even two
 or three days on the Boston Pacific R.R., be certain to accumulate
 at that greatly exposed station.

Very respectfully,

W. B. Garrison

Respectfully,

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Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D. C.

Sir:

I hereby respectfully acknowledge
 the receipt of a letter addressed
 to Henry W. Morse - 417 Montgomery
 Street, San Francisco, California
 containing Warrant # 1649 for
 \$200⁰⁰ in his favor, an Assistant
 U. S. Treasurer at San Francisco.
 Mr Morse has been requested to
 call and when he does so the letter
 will be delivered.

Very respectfully
 Geo L. Sybolt
 Inspector

Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Very respectfully
acknowledges the receipt of a letter addressed to Attorney W. Moore - 417 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, California containing statement # 1049 for \$200.00 and his favor, on account of W. A. Greenman at San Francisco. Mr. Moore has been requested to call and return books as the letter will be delivered.

Very respectfully
W. A. Greenman

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referred to
Capt. A. H. Sharpe
Chief of Postmaster
Washington DC
for his information.
It is very important
that this charge should
be made as soon as
possible for reasons
very fully set forth
in the report. I have
no doubt.

Sir:

The papers in case No. 28590 C. "Charges against the Management of the P.O. at Arbuckle, Colusa County, California," will be submitted with a report referring more particularly to the money order business. In the meantime this special report is now made for the following reasons:

Jacitus R. Arbuckle, Ill. at Arbuckle, is grossly negligent and careless in the management of his office. He has failed for months past to remit all his surplus money-order funds in accordance with law. He has neglected to write up his money-order books, and to keep his accounts properly, and I think that he should be removed.

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A page of handwritten musical notation on aged, yellowed paper. The notation consists of several staves of music written in a cursive, handwritten style. The ink is dark brown or black. The paper shows signs of wear, including creases and discoloration. The handwriting is dense and somewhat difficult to decipher due to the cursive style and the age of the document.

Presented to Mr. Andrew R. Curtis

think that he should be removed.
Books, and to keep his accounts properly, and to
have the law suggested to write up his money, and
all his business money - vouchers in accordance with
of his office. He has failed for months past to remit
is greatly disappointed and careless in the management
of his office.

I visited the P.O. at Ansonia on the 3rd of April, 1884, and found that the Money-order account was short \$406.⁷⁵. The A.M. could not find his Money order cash Book at first, and when it was finally discovered, the last entry appeared under date of October 21, 1882. The cash account since then has been kept on transcript sheets. Form No 6020.

The register of Money orders issued was only written up to January 26, 1884, leaving 123 orders that were not entered. The register of advices received was not in the office, for the reason, as I was informed, that it was being written up.

There were no postal fines; no return had been made for the quarter just passed; the A.M. said he did not know what his cancellations for the quarter amounted to, as he kept no account, but averaged it up, when he found how many stamps he had sold.

I visited the B.O. at Andover on the
 3rd of April, 1884, and found that the money-order
 account was about \$400. The B.O. could not
 find his money order book at first, and
 when it was finally discovered, the last entry of
 passed under date of October 31, 1882. The cash
 account since then has been kept on transcripts
 drawn to \$0.00.

The register of money-orders was not only
 written up to January 26, 1884, leaving 123 orders
 that were not entered. The register of orders
 received was not in the office, for the reason,
 as I was informed, that it had been written up.

There were no postal funds; no return had
 been made for the quarter just passed; the
 B.O. said he did not know what his collection
 for the quarter amounted to, as he kept no
 account, but covered it up, when he found
 how many stamps he had sold.

As regards to the deficiency in money - order funds the Jm. said that he had never received credit for all the money he had remitted to San Francisco, and he strenuously insisted that the San Francisco books should be examined before he was required to pay over the balance of \$406⁷⁵, although his own statement showed that this amount was due.

Thinking that he might, through carelessness, have failed to credit a certificate, and that I could discover the error, I returned to this city and took a copy of every remittance made by him back to August 4, 1880, and also every credit taken. On my return to Astoria the Jm. compared his account with the figures I had and seemed satisfied, and said he would pay the balance.

It took him two days to raise the money, and, in the meantime I discovered that, according to my copy, the Jm. had remitted \$15,200 and taken credit for only \$15,000 in the year 1882. As I thought that this might be

he reported to the decision of Mr. Murray - order funds
 the Hon. said that he had never received credit for
 all the money he had remitted to you from one, and
 he strenuously insisted that the Hon. should be
 should be examined before he was required to
 pay over the balance of \$4000, although his own
 statement showed that this amount was due.

Thinking that he might, through carelessness, have
 failed to credit a certificate, and that I could not
 cover the error, I returned to this city and took
 a copy of every remittance made by him back
 to August 4, 1880, and also every credit taken.
 On my return to Chicago I compared his account
 with the figures I had and seemed satisfied, and told
 he would pay the balance.

It took him two days to make the money, and in the mean
 time I discovered that, according to my copy of the
 had remitted \$15,200 and taken credit for only \$12,000.
 As I thought that this might be

on account of an error in my copy, or an oversight in making an entry in the San Francisco books, I had better say nothing about it to the J.M. until the matter was definitely settled. The J.M. raised and remitted \$560, leaving only a balance of about \$33, and I returned yesterday. Upon examination of the books again it appears that Arbuckle remitted \$15,200 in 1882 and took credit for only \$15,000.

I give these facts in order to present the entire case, and to show that even with \$200 added to the credit side of his account the J.M. was short \$206⁷⁵ April 3, 1884. I am satisfied that he has been short in his money order account for many months past. He has rendered twelve weekly statements this year, and the average balance due at the end of each week has been \$517⁴⁰. This was far in excess of the amount required by him to pay advices on hand less than two weeks. In fact, his total payment of all advices this year amounted

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making an entry in the San Francisco books, I had
better say nothing about it to the Dr. until the
matter was definitely settled. The Dr. raised and
remitted \$500, leaving only a balance of about \$33.
and I returned yesterday. Upon examination of the books
again it appears that the Dr. remitted \$15.00 in
1882 and took credit for only \$5.00.

I give these facts in order to present the entire
case, and to show that even with \$500 added to the
credit side of his account the Dr. has that
\$500 of April 3, 1884. I am satisfied that he has been
short in his money - as an account for many months
past. He has rendered twelve weekly statements
this year, and the average balance due at the end
of each week has been \$21.40. This was for in
excess of the amount required by him to pay charges
or have less than two weeks. In fact, his total
pay went of all charges this year amounted

to only \$47.¹², or \$37.²⁶ each week, showing that he has held a large surplus of money-order funds in violation of law.

The Arbuckle P.O. is in the worst condition of any money-order office I ever saw, or ever heard of, and the state of affairs there abundantly proves that Mr. is grossly careless, unmanageable, unfit for the position, and ought to be removed.

I recommend the appointment of Mr. Holloway. I am told that he ran for Justice of the Peace there, and though it was well known that he was a staunch Republican, and there was a Democratic majority of about one hundred, he came within two votes of an election. This shows that he is popular, and I think he is honest and competent. I believe it is the best appointment that can be made. His opponents are both Democrats and may get more signatures to their petition. His petition herewith enclosed, is signed by some of the best men in Arbuckle.

Geo. L. Lybolt,
P.O. Inspector.
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Very respectfully,
J. O. Culver,
Inspector.

to certify that he has been
 large number of money-order funds in violation of law.
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 money-order office & our own, on our hand of, and
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 Mr. is greatly concerned, and ought to be removed.
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 appointment that can be made. His appointment
 will not be a mistake and may be a great advantage to the
 position. His position is a great advantage to the
 position.

Very respectfully,
 J. C. Corbin,
 State of New York.
 John C. Corbin,
 State of New York.

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Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

On Aug. 14th last Inspector Schauerte forwarded from this office a special report on one Ernest A. Erlanson (a crank) who represents himself as a Commission merchant here and forwarded at that time a large amount of letters to Postal Union Countries without prepaying the postage. Most of those letters when reaching destination were refused and upon being returned here no postage could

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Chief D. D. Hunter
 Capt. W. B. Clark
 Washington D.C.

On August 1st last Hunter
 Accounts furnished from this office
 a special report on our Court
 Dr. E. B. (a clerk) who refer
 sent himself as a Commissioner
 Merchant here and forwarded at that
 time a large amount of letters
 to Doctor Union Counties without
 forwarding the postage. Most of
 these letters were reaching others
 than were refused and upon being
 returned here no postage could

be collected.

Inspector Schaute was at the time of the opinion that the party would cease but today my attention was called to a letter mailed at San Francisco, Cal., by the same man addressed to Messrs Hans Hansen's Sons, Skien, Norway Europe - marked at upper right corner "Important private Business" I would respectfully ask that your office ascertain what the contents of that letter are and if circulars representing Erlanson as a Commission Merchant or other business man - that they be obtained and forwarded here. He is a "fraud" and if nothing else will cause him to stop the

the will come time to stop the
 the is a "good" and if nothing
 be obtained & forwarded here.
 other business men - that they
 as a Commission Merchant or
 circular representing Edinburgh
 counts of that letter are and if
 your office ascertain what the
 should respectfully ask that
 corner "Buffant private business"
 Europe - marked at upper right
 Thomas Dow, John, Norway
 man address to Thomas Dow
 at San Francisco, Cal. by the same
 town now called to a letter mailed
 would cease but today very often -
 time of the opinion that the party.
 Inspector Schmitt was at the
 be collected.

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practice of mailing letters without
prepayment - he should be pros-
ecuted for attempting to defraud
through the mails.

The letter referred to in
this communication leaves this
day by overland mail.

Very respectfully

Inspector

practice of receiving letters without
 acknowledgment - he should be pro-
 ceeded for attempting to defraud
 through the mails.
 The letter referred to in
 this communication leaves this
 day by overland mail.
 Very respectfully

Charles
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1803 Oct. 10. 10/27-10

April 22

Chief of the
Washington D.C.

The enclosed report for payment
of Government bonds for the
payment of various bonds, Charles
Stetson and Stetson's heirs for
payment of the debt on notes from
Stetson's estate to John Stetson
in 1803 - is
most respectfully forwarded with the
recommendation that the sum
be paid to J. Stetson and his
heirs - the parties receiving the
amount of Stetson's estate.

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The arrest was accomplished by these men who took the trail a day after the robbery and followed it successfully and the conviction of the robbers was due to evidence obtained by these men. A copy of the records of the court will be forwarded herewith.

In addition to this I would respectfully call your attention to report in case #148083 returned to Department on Dec. 29/83

Very respectfully

Inspector

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 by these men who took the
 trial a day after the robbery and
 followed it successfully and the
 conviction of the robbers was
 due to evidence obtained by them
 men. A copy of the records
 of the court will be found
 herewith.

I am, Sir,
 most respectfully,
 Sir,
 returned to Department on 12/23/88
 with reference to report in case #14008
 would be respectfully call your
 attention to this

Respectfully

John Raggio - Carrier
Mails from Wallace to San Andreas

April 26th 82

Capt A. G. Stark
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed letters are respectfully
forwarded for the consideration of your
office. I know nothing about the
matter except what is fully set forth
in the papers. John Raggio - the person
who has been carrying the mails bet-
ween San Andreas ^{and} Wallace (Cal.)
called at my office a few days prior
to the date of enclosed papers ^{and}
stated that he had been performing
that service since Nov. 19th 82 ^{and}
had received no compensation ^{therefor}

John Daggie - Corvair
 Mail from Dallas to San Antonio

April 20th

Post Off. Wash.
 Chief D. Daggie
 Washington D.C.

The enclosed letters are respectfully
 forwarded for the consideration of your
 office. I know nothing about the
 matter except what is fully set forth
 in the papers. John Daggie - the former
 rate has been carrying the mail bet-
 ween San Antonio and Dallas (Cal.)
 called at my office a few days prior
 to the date of enclosed papers and
 stated that he had been performing
 that service since Nov. 1st or
 had received no compensation therefor

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 I asked him if he had a contract and he
 stated that he had not but that he
 had carried the mail at the instance
 of Hon. W. J. M. Kusick late Supt. R.M.
 & S. Division. It seems but justice,
 to me, that he should be compensated
 for his services - but where that com-
 pensation is to come from, is the
 question submitted for your consid-
 eration.

I do not know the reason why
 a contract was not let on that route
 which according to the statement of
 the postmaster at San Andreas seems
 to be of importance.

This contractor evidently is
 a new man at the business -
 otherwise he would have wanted
 some pay before performing ^{ready}

looked him up to see a contract and he
 stated that he had not but that he
 had carried the mail at the instance
 of Mr. J. W. Smith late Sept. 1860.
 J. W. Smith. It seems that parties
 to view that he should be compensated
 for his services - but where that com-
 pensation is to come from is the
 question submitted for your consid-
 eration.

It does not seem the reason why
 a contract was not let on that route
 which according to the statement of
 the postmaster at New Orleans seems
 to be of importance.
 This contract was made in
 a new man at the business -
 otherwise he would have wanted
 some pay before performing

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two years of service.

These papers would have been
forwarded in this but for my
absence in Southern California

Very respectfully

Geo. L. Rybolt

Inspector

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two years of service.
 These papers would have been
 forwarded to this but for my
 absence in Southern California
 Very respectfully
 Thos. H. H. H.
 Secretary

Wadsworth, Nevada

4/28th

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Capt. A. G. Sharp
Chief P. T. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed statement relative to the burning of the Wadsworth Nevada post office is respectfully forwarded for the consideration of the Department.

The postmaster is, as I believe reliable and I regard his statement as truthful. He is unable to state the exact amount of stamps on hand at the time of the fire as all the papers &c were burned - but as the fire took place

Marionville, Missouri

4/28/28

Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

The enclosed statement relating
to the burning of the Marionville
Missouri post-office is respectfully
forwarded for the consideration of
the Department.

The statement is, as I believe
reliable and I regard this statement
as truthful. It is unable to state
the exact amount of damage or
loss at the time of the fire
as all the papers were burned
up - but as the fire took place

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soon after the close of the quarter
the amount can easily be de-
termined from his statement
rendered at the close of that quar-
ter.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Deyboth
Inspector

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soon after the close of the quarter
 the amount can easily be de-
 termined from his statement
 recorded at the close of that quarter.

Very respectfully
 Thos. L. Jeffers
 Cashier

Personal

May 5th

Capt. A. G. Sharpe

Chief P. T. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Mr. J. M. Kusick - late Supt. R.M.S.
8th Division called at my office to-
day and exhibited a statement pur-
porting to be an interview had with
E. C. Danforth - at present a clerk in
the office of Supt. R.M.S. this city
regarding certain statements made
by him (Danforth) to Mr. Sammons
which were forwarded to your office
in connection with papers bearing
upon the investigation of charges
made against him (Mr. Kusick).

Personal

May 20th

Post Office Clerk
Chief of Police
Washington D.C.

Sir:

For Mr. J. M. (Mink) - late Post Office Clerk
at Lincoln called at my office to
say and exhibited a statement
falsely to be an interview had with
E. J. (Mink) - at present or late in
the office of Post Office Clerk in
regarding certain statements made
by him (Mink) to Mr. (Mink)
which were forwarded to your office
in connection with papers bearing
upon the investigation of charges
made against him (Mink).

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In that statement Mr Danforth is made to say that he was not correctly quoted by Mr Bannerman in his report to me. I desire to state to you ^{and} for the information of the Department that every word and line contained in the report of Mr Bannerman to me are correct, ^{and} that portion of it which refers to statements made by Danforth - is simply a copy of the words used by him (Danforth) in his own hand writing - The language used by Mr Bannerman is an exact copy of what was furnished by Mr Danforth.

Mr McKissick seems to be anxious to have a statement from Mr Bannerman. This office has

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But that statement Mr. Donfort is
 unable to say that he was not correct
 by stating that Mr. Donfort in
 his report to me. I desire to
 state to you and for the information
 of the Department that every word
 and line contained in the report
 of Mr. Donfort to me are
 correct and that portion of it
 which refers to statements made
 by Donfort is strictly a copy
 of the words used by him (Donfort)
 in his own handwriting. The
 language used by Mr. Donfort
 is a true copy of what was
 furnished by Mr. Donfort.
 Mr. Donfort seems to be
 anxious to have a statement from
 Mr. Donfort. This office has

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refused to furnish such statement
to him - but will, if desired by you
furnish a statement to the Defeat
man that will forever settle the
question as to whether Mr. Bauman
man's report is a correct one or
not. Please instruct me as to
whether such report is desired.

Very respectfully,

Geo. L. Lybott

Inspector

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refused to furnish such statement
 to him - but will, if desired by you
 furnish a statement to the deputy
marshal that will show exactly the
 operation as to whether the same
 means report is a correct one or
 not. Please visit me as to
 whether such report is desired.
 Very respectfully,
 Wm. A. Lyford
 Comptroller

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May 6th 4

Capt A. G. Sharp

Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have to report the arrest of
L. C. Campbell at Dayton, W. T.
by Inspector Murphy for violation
of Section 3893 P. O. in mailing
an obscene letter at above named
office. He was taken by Inspector
Murphy to Walla Walla where
complaint was made before
U. S. Court (?) Taylor and the prisoner
pleaded guilty to that complaint
and was bound over for appear-
ance at the next term of the

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May 6

Chief of Dept. of Justice
Washington D.C.

I have to report the arrest of
J. C. Campbell at Boston, U.S.
by Inspector Murphy for violation
of Section 383 D.C. in receiving
our obscene letter above named
officer. He was taken by Inspector
Murphy to Hotel Walla where
confiscation was made before
U.S. Court. Taylor and the prisoner
pleaded guilty to that confiscation
and was bound over for appearance
at the next term of the

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U.S. Court. The amount of bail as well as detailed particulars have not yet been reported by Inspector Murphy - but will be obtained at Fair early day ^{and} forwarded to you.

Inspector Murphy will be fully instructed as to how such cases should be reported by him in future - His failure in this case I am satisfied is owing to his recent appointment ^{and} lack of knowledge as to what is desired.

Very respectfully
G. L. Rybock
Inspector

N. D. Court. The amount of
 bail as well as detailed facts
 which have not yet been reported
 by Inspector Murphy - but will
 be obtained at an early
 day and forwarded to you.
 Inspector Murphy will
 be fully instructed as to how
 much case should be reported
 by him in future - his failure
 in this case has been noticed in
 coming to his recent appointment
 and has been of consequence
 to what is desired.

Very respectfully
 Wm. L. Bishop
 Inspector

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Salem Oregon April 29 4

In the matter of mailing a letter }
 at Dayton W. T. addressed to }
 James I. Kilburn, Bracken Mo. }
 Containing obscene matter }

Hon Geo. L. Seybolt
 P.O. Inspector

Dear Sir

In the inves-
 tigation of the above entitled case
 I visited Tunkannon where L. C.
 Campbell the suspected party resides
 And after obtaining all the information
 concerning the case attainable, I con-
 -fronted the said Campbell with the
 evidence against him - whereupon

24404

John Brown April 29

Containing obscure matter
James L. Wilson, Brother Mrs.
at Chapter No. 7. Addressed to
In the matter of writing a letter

How Geo. L. Dephoff
P.O. Inspector

Dear Sir

In the case -

investigation of the above entitled case
I visited the known where L.C.
Campbell the suspected party resides
and after obtaining all the information
concerning the case attainable, I am
glad to state Campbell with the
evidence against him. Whereupon

he acknowledged writing the letter and
 causing it to be deposited in the U.S.
 mails at Dayton W.T. - I accordingly
 -ly arrested him and after a vain ef-
 -fort to find a U.S. Commissioner I
 took him before Mag Taylor at Walla
 Walla before whom he plead guilty
 to the charge I preferred against
 him. And was bound over to appear
 before the U.S. Court to be held at
 Walla Walla on the 5th prox -

Respectfully Yours
 J. J. Murphy
 Inspector

He acknowledged writing the letter and
 containing it to be deposited in the U.S.
 Mail at Boston U.S. - I accordingly
 by arrested him and after a vain ef-
 fort to find a U.S. Commissioner I
 took him before Judge Taylor at Wall
 Wall before whom he pleads guilty
 to the charge I preferred against
 him. And was found over to appear
 before the U.S. Court to be held at
 Wall Wall on the 2nd day -

Respectfully yours
 J. H. Murphy
 Inspector

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Capt. A. G. Sharp
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D C

Sir:

The endorsed letter was received from Inspector Murphy today and is forwarded to you with the statement that he is doing good work. All cases which he returned here today are satisfactorily closed - His reports are clear, and will I am satisfied be approved of by you.

I have been careful to fully instruct him and I now wish to say that I am satisfied he will make a good officer.

Very respectfully
 Geo. S. Lybourn
 Inspector

Capt. C. P. Smith
 Chief of Ordnance
 Washington DC

The enclosed letter was received
 from Inspector Murphy today and is
 forwarded to you with the state-
 ment that he is doing good work.
 All cases which he returned here
 today are satisfactorily closed - His
 reports are clear, and will have satis-
 fied the approval of my own.
 I have been careful to fully
 instruct him and I am anxious to
 say that he has satisfied me with
 his work. I am, Sir,
 Very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 Charles Taylor

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5/6th

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Capt A. G. Sharpe
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D. C.

Sir:

The Hon. J. Coffin - U. S. Dist. atty,
 for Nevada called at my office
 a few days since regarding the case
 of the U. S. vs. Riley. Late postmaster
 at Hamilton, White Pine Co, Nevada
 and stated that Riley was willing to
 plead guilty to the charge of speculating
 in stamps - for which he was indicted
 providing that the other indictment
 against him would be dismissed.
 I am not familiar with all of the
 facts in the case, but from the

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Post Office
Chief of Postmaster
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

The Hon. J. Coffin - U.S. District Attorney
for the District of Columbia called at my office
and inquired as to the progress of the case
of the U.S. vs. Wiley, late Postmaster
at Hamilton, Idaho. He said that Wiley was willing to
plead guilty to the charge of falsifying
in stamps for which he was indicted
providing that the other indictment
against him would be dismissed.
I am not familiar with all of the
facts in the case, but from the

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representations made to me by the U.S. Dist. atty., I am inclined to think that it might be advisable to accept the proposition.

The present judge (Sabine) for Nevada is disqualified for trying that case as he was at one time an attorney for Riley - but would as I understand be willing to ^{and} could hear his plea of guilty ^{and} pass sentence - provided Riley would as stated above voluntarily confess to that indictment - which could be done ^{and} the case disposed of in June - otherwise it would have to be continued until the fall term (Nov.) of U.S. Court when Judge Sawyer will preside.

While the District Attorney

While the District Attorney
 charges with friends.
 them (Gov.) of the Court when Judge
 to be continued until the fall
 term - otherwise it would have
 been out the case disposed of in
 that indictment - which could be
 as stated above voluntarily confessed
 from sentence - provided they would
 have been in fear of guilty and
 as I understand be willing to pay
 an attorney for delay - but would
 that case be run at one time
 for removal is disqualified for trying
 the present Judge (John)
 to accept the prosecution.
 think that it might be advisable
 Mr. Dist. Atty. I am inclined to
 representation made to me by the

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is satisfied ought to be convicted
of both indictments - it is not so
clear to him that there is evidence
sufficient to secure a conviction.

That being the case would it not
be advisable to allow Riley to plead
guilty on the lesser charge? Please
instruct me as to what you desire
done in this case as you are familiar
with all the facts.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Cuyler
Clerk

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 of both indictments - it is not so
 clear to him that there is evidence
 sufficient to secure a conviction.
 That being the case would it not
 be advisable to allow Wiley to plead
 guilty on the lesser charge? Please
 instruct me as to what your course
 should be in this case as your conference
 with all the facts.

Very respectfully,
 Wm. L. Russell
 Esq.

Los Gatos, Caly,

May 8th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharb
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed petition for the establishment of money order business at the Los Gatos, Caly, postoffice is herewith respectfully forwarded to you for your information and for reference.

Los Gatos is quite an important point on the South Pac. Coast R. R. and owing to its desirable location is selected by "campers" during the summer months. A large number of people

San Antonio, Tex.

May 2^d 4

Post-Capt. A. J. Smith
Chief U.S. Marshal
Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed petition for the re-
establishment of Troop, 10th Cavalry
at the San Antonio, Tex. Postoffice is
herewith respectfully forwarded to
you for your information and for
reference.

San Antonio is quite an impor-
tant point on the South West
R.R. and owing to its desirable
location is selected by "carriers"
carrying the summer months.
A large number of people

from San Francisco and other
 places here go down there during
 the summer months to camp
 and while there make that their
 postoffice and place for securing
 provisions. These "campers"
 very often number as high as
 Two Thousand and more. If the
 money order system could be estab-
 lished there it would be a great
 convenience to those people and
 would also bring considerable
 business to the P.O. Dept which
 is now transacted through Wells
 Fargo and Co's Express. It seems to
 be important and I would respect-
 fully recommend that it be estab-
 lished.

Very respectfully
 Geo. L. Serbo

from that business and other
 place here go down there during
 the summer months to camp
 and while there make their
 practice and place for summer
 provisions. Their numbers
 very often number as high as
 that of the other and more. If the
 movement of the system could be stated
 listed there it would be a great
 convenience to those people and
 would also bring considerable
 business to the West. It is
 is now terminated through the
 change of the Express. It seems to
 be important and should be
 fully remembered that it is
 a very important matter.

Wm. A. L. L. L.
 Wm. A. L. L. L.

May 9. 4.

Dear Sir:

Hon. L. J. McKimise called on my office today and requested that I forward to the Dep. Sec. the enclosed statement from him relative to a conversation had with E. E. Donforth in presence of L. L. Wilder, Supr. R. M. C. For the consideration of the Hon. Sec. In forwarding this I desire again to repeat that Inspector Bonnerman's report is not a copy taken from Memorandum furnished by Mr. Donforth and its contents cannot be questioned.

Capt. G. G. Shorb.

Chief Inspector

Very respectfully

Geo. L. Dugan
Inspector

Chief Clerk
 U.S. District Court
 S.D. Cal.
 San Francisco
 May 2. 1891

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Special

May 10th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharpe
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D. C.

Sir:

Herewith I forward to you
 some papers relative to the alleg-
 ed loss of a silver table spoon
 (fold) mailed at Peabody, Kansas
 sometime in March 84 and address-
 ed to Mrs F. G. Cleveland, Mesa
 Grande, Caly. The addressee des-
 cribes it as marked "H. I." on
 the handle and owing to certain
 family connections values it
 very highly. saw the March 84
 list of articles found loose in

Alfred

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May 10th

Post. O. B. Clark
Chief of Department
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:

Herewith I forward to you
some papers relative to the alleged
loss of a silver table spoon
(gold) received at Beadby, Kansas
as mentioned in March 28th and address
ed to Miss F. S. Cleveland, W. C. C.
Boulder, Colo. The address is as-
cribed it as numbered "W. C. C."
the bundle and owing to certain
family conversation I believe it
very likely. In the March 28th
list of articles found loose in

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the mails and turned in to Postmaster
at San Francisco, Cal, by Postal
Clerks in 8th Division P.M.S. - I
find as article #9 a silver table
spoon (old) which appears on
the records of the San Francisco
Cal, post office as having been
marked "S.F." and was sent to
Dead letter office on April 7th - as
"an article #9 on special return
of 3rd and 4th class matter."

I would respectfully
ask that said spoon be forward-
ed here with return of these
papers as I have reasons to be-
lieve it is the one missing
for.

Yours respectfully
Geo. S. Sigboff
Inspector

the mail and turned in to Postmaster
at San Francisco, Cal. by Postal
Clerk in 8th Division (No. 100-3)
first as article # 9 on subject table
afternoon (old) - subject of person on
the records of the San Francisco
Cal. post office on having been
marked "D" and was sent to
about letter office on April 2-84
in article # 9 on official return
of San and the class matter.
I would respectfully
ask that said person be known
and there with return of these
papers as I have reasons to be
live in the more vigorous
for

Very respectfully
Wm. L. Lippard
San Francisco

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5/12th

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Capt A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Herewith I forward to you
a package of papers containing
three shillings and a letter addressed
to Mrs "Dillon. Bargan Cottage
Llandago California" which was
forwarded here by the postmaster
at San Diego, Cal, which office
this package reached - because
the person addressed is not
known at that place & as the
package is mailed in violation
of section 3.3. P. O. & R. E. Dept. Reform
Inspector

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Chief P.O. Inspector
Washington, D.C.
Capt. C.S. Clark

Enclosed I forward to you
a package of papers containing
three sketches and a letter addressed
to Mrs. Dillon. Oregon Cottage
Stanzas California, which was
forwarded here by the postmaster
at San Diego, Cal. which office
this package reached - because
the forward address is not
known is that please let me the
package is available in relation
of return to P.O. of the
Inspector

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5/12th

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Capt. A. G. Sharp

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington D. C.

Sir:

Herewith I enclose to you a
parcel of samples mailed at San
Francisco, Cal. by Mess. O. Rogers & Co
Enchorn & addressed to Mollie
Williams, Stockton, Cal. containing
writing in violation of section # 233.
Postal Laws & Reg. - Also \$5.00 collected
as penalty found above fine for
the offense - all of which is for-
warded for your information

Very respectfully

W. L. Baybott
Inspector

1877

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27. Oct

Chief A. S. Brewster
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

I enclose to you a
packet of samples mailed at San
Francisco, Cal. by Mrs. May & Co.
Bingham and addressed to Mr. C.
Williams, Washington, Cal. containing
specimens in vegetation of section #33.
Postal check to Dep. - also 1000 collected
as far as possible about June 1st
the office - all included in for-
warded for your information
Very respectfully
Wm. A. Buxton

Geo. L. Merquiere

May 12th 4

Capt A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington DC

Sir:

I would respectfully report the arrest on April 16th last of Geo L Merquiere a sewing machine agent in this city, by the U. S. Marshal at the instance of Mrs. C. L. Fairbanks for violation of section 1234 P. L. & R. - in offering a letter to her address mailed by her husband at Sacramento Cal, (who was a partner of Mr Merquiere and had left for parts unknown to him) for the purpose

Geo. L. Thompson

May 12th

Post-Off. Clerk
Chief of Post-Office
Washington DC

Sir:

I would respectfully request the
return of our deposit of last of Dec
I enclose a return of the
amount in this city, by the U.S.
Marshall at the instance of Mr.
G. L. Thompson for violation of
Section 1034 U.S. Code - in offering
a letter to her address marked
by her husband at her residence
Cal. (also now a partner of Mr.
Thompson and had left for parts in
known to him) for the purpose

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of getting information as to the whereabouts of said Fairbanks. Merquiere was brought before the U.S. Commissioner on April 28th and received examination and was bound over to await the action of the Grand Jury, now in session in the sum of \$1000⁰⁰. Further developments will be promptly reported. The delay in reporting above proceedings was caused by my absence and the press of other important work ever since.

Very respectfully
Geo. L. Seyboth
Inspector

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of getting information as to the
 value of about of said bonds.
 The Commission on April 28th
 received information and was
 bound over to await the action
 of the Board of, was in session
 in the sum of \$1000.00. Another
 arrangements will be promptly
 reported. The delay in reporting
 above proceedings was caused
 by my absence and the fact
 of other important work even
 since.

Very respectfully
 Wm. L. Haystack
 Director

May 14th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D. C.

Sir:

A short time since I forwarded to your office a catalogue from a furniture dealer here held for postage by the San Francisco, Cal., Post-Office - on account of writing giving prices of different articles of furniture &c. It also contained a letter written by the firm.

This catalogue was returned to this office with reference slip calling attention to Ruling # 611 on page 511 - January 1884 Postal Guide.

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May 14th

Chief of the Bureau
Washington D.C.

Sir:

A short time since I forwarded to your office an Catalogue of furniture made by the San Francisco, Cal, Post Office - on account of wanting giving prices of different articles of furniture &c. It also contained a letter written by the firm. This Catalogue was returned to this office with reference to calling attention to Catalog # 611 on page 211 - January 1882 Post Office

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I was aware of said Ruling but have never before understood it to mean that the penalty should not be enforced for concealing in matter of 3rd class - matter of a higher rate - i.e. First Class.

Please instruct me as to this ruling as it leaves a doubt as to just what cases Section #233. P.D. and R. is intended to apply. And if it is intended by Ruling #11 that the penalty for enclosing matter of a higher class into that of a lower - shall not be enforced as per above section. Case #29041^C sent to this office on April 25/04 is a case in point - being a letter enclosed in a novel from Pinole, Cal., to San Francisco, Cal.

Private, Col. to Gen. Sherman,
 enclosed in a novel form
 is a case in point - being a letter
 sent to this office on April 27th
 as per above letter. Case #2941
 however shall not be enforced
 after higher class into that of a
 the female for enclosing matter
 it is intended by Bully #11 that
 it is intended to reply. And if
 just what our letter #33. (2941)
 ruling as it leaves a doubt as to
 General instant upon to this
 after higher rate - is first class.
 in matter of 3rd class - matter
 not be enforced for covering
 to mean that the female should
 have never before understood it
 know more of said ruling but

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I have always construed section
 233 P. D. & R. to apply to all
 cases where matter of a higher
 class was concealed with matter
 of a lower rate and deposited
 for conveyance through the
 mails at a less rate of postage
 than would be charged for such
 higher class.

Please give me the de-
 sired information and oblige

Very respectfully
 Geo. L. Payson
 Inspector

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I have always considered it
233 C. D. R. to supply to all
cases where matter of a higher
class was concerned with matter
of a lower rate and separated
for convenience through the
mails at a less rate of postage
than would be charged for such
higher class.

Please give me the
which information and advice
Very respectfully
Wm. L. Lusk
Professor

Corning, Cal.

May 15 - 4

Capt A. S. Sharp
Chief P. O. Inspector
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully recommend
the appointment of Mr George W. L.
Carrington as postmaster at Corning
Behan & Co., California, vice William
Roy deceased - Mr Roy's wife was
appointed since his death but
failed to qualify and has now left
that place - the office being in
charge of a young druggist who
is acting for the societies.

Mr Carrington is a member of the
firm of Wallace & Carrington

Corning, Cal.

May 12

Prof. A. S. Abbot
Chief of the
Washington Co.

Sir:

I have respectfully recommended
the appointment of Mr. George W. W.
Corning as postmaster at Corning.
Belmont Co., California, vice William
Ray deceased. Mr. Ray's wife was
appointed since his death but
failed to qualify and has now left
that place - the office being in
charge of a young druggist who
is waiting for the next
Mr. Corning is a member of the
firm of Hall and Corning

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at Corning, Cal, who have just
erected a new brick building (the
only one in that town) and could
locate the office very desirably.

He has been Assistant Postmaster
for some time in various offices
and is well qualified for the posi-
tion. He is a good Republican
and I am satisfied his appointment
would give general satisfaction.

Very respectfully

Chas. L. Blythe

Inspector

at Governor's Col, who have just
 erected a new brick building (the
 only one in that town) and could
 locate the office very conveniently.
 He has been Assistant Postmaster
 for some time in various offices
 and is well qualified for the posi-
 tion. He is a good Republican
 and I am satisfied his appointment
 would give general satisfaction.
 Very respectfully,
 Wm. L. Lytle
 Governor

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Capt A. G. Sharpe
 Chief P. O. Inspector
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

Several days ago this office referred to you some papers relative to the alleged loss of an ordinary letter mailed at Council Bluffs, Iowa, by Postmaster - containing Postal Note for \$100 - mailed 9/10/84 & addressed to E. C. Kelley, Oakland California. Since papers were sent to you the note has been found if the case will be sent here I can close it at this time.

Yours truly
 Chas. E. Lygoth
 Inspector


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Post Office  
 Chief Postmaster  
 Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

Several days ago this office  
 referred to you some papers relat-  
 ing to the alleged loss of our out-  
 going letter marked as - Council  
 Bluffs, Iowa, by Postmaster - containing  
 Postal Note for \$100 - marked 2/17/74  
 and addressed to E. C. Kelley, Oakland  
 California. Since papers were  
 sent to you the note has been found  
 if the same will please return it  
 to the office at this time.

Very respectfully,  
 Wm. H. Coffey  
 Chief Postmaster



Malad City

Forwarded to  
 Capt. W. B. Smith  
 Chief Postmaster  
 Washington D.C.  
 Calling attention  
 to said book papers  
 and statement of  
 Inspector Culver  
 relative to matters  
 at Malad City

San Francisco May 19 4

Sir:

Herewith please find the letter of H. W. Smith,  
 Assist. U.S. Dist. Atty., dated Malad City, Idaho,  
 April 21, 1884, relating to the loss of six registered  
 letters.

Upon investigation I find that three of the six reg-  
 isters referred to by Mr. Smith are the following:

No. 39, in R. P. E. 39, Mailed at Samaria, Idaho, Mar.  
 10, 1884, addressed to Ogden, Utah, Contents \$10.

No. 40, in R. P. E. 40, Mailed at Samaria, March  
 10, 1884, addressed to Omaha, Contents \$40.

No. 43, R. P. E. 43, Mailed at Samaria, March 14,  
 1884, addressed to Salt Lake City, Contents a check  
 for \$100. I enclose statements on form No. 539,  
 herewith, giving further particulars in each of these cases.







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The Am. at Samaria says that she received no receipt from the Malad Am. for no. 39 and 40, but she showed a receipt for no. 43, which is marked D.K. by the Am. at Malad.

There seems to be no doubt that the three letters were stolen, and the two persons arrested by Mr. Smith, were Mrs. Davis, Am. at Samaria, and J. C. Ellis of Malad.

It appears that the Am. at Malad discovered that the pouch in which the two registers, 39 and 40, were conveyed from Samaria to Malad, March 10, had a slit cut through it about three inches long, close to a seam and near the bottom of the pouch, where it was not likely to be observed. This discovery was not made, however, as I understand it, until the pouch had made another trip to Samaria and returned to Malad, March 12. What reason there was to suspect



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The Mr. at Lawrence says that the re-  
 ceived no receipt from the Hotel for the 3d  
 and 4th, but the showed a receipt for 10.  
 43, which is wanted 8. K. of the Mr. at Hotel.  
 There seems to be no doubt that the three  
 letters were stolen, and the two persons mentioned  
 by Mr. Smith, were Mr. Davis, Mr. at Lawrence  
 and Mr. J. C. Ellis of Hotel.  
 It appears that the Mr. at Hotel dis-  
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 3d and 4th, were conveyed from Lawrence to  
 Hotel, which is, had a slit cut through it  
 about three inches long, close to a seam  
 and near the bottom of the pouch, where it  
 was not likely to be observed. This discovery  
 was not made, however, as I understand it,  
 until the pouch had made another trip to  
 Lawrence and returned to Hotel, where  
 what reason there was to suspect it



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that it was cut on the 10th I am not prepared to say.

The evidence did not justify the judge in holding the Par. to answer, and she was released. I believe that Mr. Smith thinks she is innocent.

The evidence against J. C. Ellis was much stronger. It appeared that a pistol was found in his bed, and the evidence went to show that this same pistol was left by the Par. at Malad in the drawer where he kept his registered letters, and where he had No. 43, which contained the \$100 check.

So the Par. was unable to identify the pistol by the number, and as Ellis declared that he bought it of some one who had left town, he was released, and left Malad about the last of March.

When I reached Malad I found that it had been established that the pistol



that it was cut on the 10th of June 1875 -  
 handed to top.

The evidence has not justified the judge  
 in holding the Dr. to be a murderer, and the was  
 released. I believe that Mr. Smith was the murderer.

The evidence against J. C. Ellis was  
 much stronger. It appeared that a pistol was found  
 in his bed, and the evidence went to show  
 that this same pistol was left by the Dr. at  
 Alford in the chamber where he kept his  
 registered letters, and where he had his  
 office, which contained the \$1000 check.

As the Dr. was unable to identify the pistol  
 by the number, and as Ellis declared that he  
 bought it of some one who had left town, he  
 was released, and left Alford about  
 the last of March.

When reached Alford I found that  
 it had been established that the pistol



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found in the bed where Ellis slept was, in fact, the one owned by the abalad I.M.; furthermore, that the check for \$100, enclosed in No. 43, said to have been left in the drawer with the pistol, by the I.M., was presented to a bank in Cerinue Utoch, by J. C. Ellis, about the last of March or first of April, who endorsed the check and drew \$100 on it. These facts, which came to light after the release of Ellis, appeared to establish, beyond a reasonable doubt, the original charge that Ellis stole register No. 43.

The other three registers referred to by Mr. Smith were supposed to have been received at Mealand, but I have not the full particulars respecting them, which the Chief Inspector requires. I will give the main facts in my possession, and make a further report when the information is received.

Mrs. G. J. Smith, of Mealand, thinks that her son William mailed a registered letter to her



found in the bed where Ellis kept her, in fact,  
the one owned by the abolitionists; furthermore, that  
the check for \$100, enclosed in No. 43, does not  
have been left in the drawer with the first, by  
the S. M., was presented to a bank in Cambridge  
Mass., by J. C. Ellis, about the last of March or  
first of April, who endorsed the check and drew  
\$100 on it. These facts, which came to light after  
the release of Ellis, seemed to establish beyond a  
doubt that the original check that Ellis kept

referred to in the  
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were supposed to have been received at abolition  
but have not the full particulars respecting them  
which the Chief Justice requires. I will give the  
main facts in my possession, and leave a further report  
when the information is received.  
There is a check, of \$100, which  
that has been withdrawn from a reported letter to



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about March 1, 1884, at Pocatello, Idaho, contents \$10, and that it was stolen from the Malad office.

Registered letter said to have been mailed at Beaver Canyon, Idaho, by J.E. Thomas, about March 1, 1884, addressed to Eph Thomas, Malad City, contents \$50, has never been delivered.

David Osborne, of Montpelier, Idaho, sent \$50 in a registered letter about Jan'y. 6, 1884, to Smith & McCollum, Malad City, which has not delivered. Smith, of the firm of Smith and McCollum, to whom the letter was addressed, heard so many complaints against the Malad Dm. that he suspected him, and went to the office and demanded the letter. The Dm. asked what the letter contained. Mr. Smith said \$75 (that being the amount



about March 1, 1884, at Abbeville, South Carolina, and that it has been from the Abbeville

Office.

Register letter tells it have been traces at Abbeville Canyon, South Carolina, of J.E. Thomas, about March 1, 1884, addressed to J.E. Thomas, Abbeville City, South Carolina, \$50, has been de-

livered.

David Johnson, of Abbeville, South Carolina, sent \$50 in a registered letter about Jan. 1, 1884, to Smith & Co. of Abbeville, South Carolina, which has not been delivered. Smith, of the firm of Smith and Co. of Abbeville, to whom the letter was addressed, reads to many complaints against the Abbeville firm. That he suspected him, and went to the office and demanded the letter. He then called what the letter contained. Smith found \$75 (that being the amount



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that Osborne owed the firm) but the Jm. denied that the amount enclosed was \$75, and stated that he thought that it was only \$50, which he would pay, and did pay. Mr. Smith found, on writing to Osborne, that he did, in fact, enclose only \$50 in the lost register.

The conclusion is inevitable that the P.M. at Malad must have taken the letter and opened it, or he would not have known its exact contents, and paid them over as he did.

Mr. Smith, who received this money, is the United States Dist. Atty., and he thought that if I could find Ellis and arrest him, he would make a confession that would implicate others and we could thus bring all the guilty parties to justice. As I did not know Ellis Mr. Smith consented to go with me. Ellis is a young man, son of the former Jm. at Evanston, Wyoming. We heard that he was there, but on reaching Evanston we learned that he was last



But on reading Brewster we learned that he was last  
 at Coonston, Maryland. We heard that he was there,  
 and that he was a young man, son of the former John  
 Brewster. We did not know that he had consented to go with  
 us, but we were sure that he was a young man, and we  
 could find him and arrest him, he would have  
 been at the time. We did not know that he was  
 at Coonston, Maryland, but we were sure that he was  
 a young man, and we could find him and arrest him.



seen in Ogden. On reaching Ogden we learned that Ellis had left the city a day or two before our arrival and was then out on Bowen's ranch, south of Ogden (in Utah) and I arrested him there, without a warrant, April 12, and took him that night on the train from Ogden to Corinne. I did this because it was impossible to issue a writ of habeas Corpus in Corinne and release Ellis.

The next day I took him to Salt Lake and delivered him into the custody of Justice of the Peace, on the charge of having stolen a letter from the mail, containing a check of the value of \$100. Ellis was turned over to the Depy. U.S. Marshal.

The next day the prisoner was taken before the Justice and demanded an examination. Thereupon the Asst. U.S. Marshal



seen in Salem. On reaching Salem we learned  
that Eli had left the city a day or two before  
our arrival and was then out on Brown's  
ranch, south of Salem, in what I called  
I contacted him there, without a moment's  
delay. I, and took him that night on  
the train from Salem to Corvallis. I did  
this because it was impossible to obtain  
a lot of horses in Corvallis and  
release Eli.

The next day I took him to the  
and delivered him into the custody of  
Justice of the Peace, on the charge of having  
stolen a letter from the bank. Containing  
a check of the sum of \$100. Eli was  
turned over to the Sheriff. At Marshall.  
The next day the prisoner was taken  
before the Justice and dismissed on  
examination. Thereupon the Sheriff



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asked for a continuance in order to secure the attendance of witnesses, which was granted.

Ellis was then returned to jail, and as I could do no more in the case, as I was not a witness, I came here to report.

I have written to assist U.S. Dist. Atty. Smith for a full report stating what was done with Ellis but have received no response.

He is probably awaiting the action of the Grand Jury, which meets on May 26<sup>th</sup> 1884, at Alameda.

Upon receipt of further information in the case I will report.

Geo. L. Seybolt,

U.S. Marshal.

San Francisco.

Very respectfully,

J. O. Culver  
Inspector



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secure the attendance of witnesses,  
which was granted.

This was then returned to jail,  
and as I could do no more in the  
case, as I was not a lawyer, I came  
here to report.

I have written to assist Mr. Whit-  
comb for a full report stating  
what was done with this but have  
received no response.

It is probably concerning the  
action of the Grand Jury which occurs in  
May 26, 1884, at Chicago.

I have receipt of further information in  
the case of this report.

Respectfully,  
J. D. Gardner  
Superior  
San Francisco



5/27th

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Forwarded to  
Capt. D. S. ClarkChief of Suspect  
Washington D.C.

For his information.

From the attached  
papers it would appear  
that Daniel J. Quaid  
at Washington D.C.  
is using the name  
to defraud. A firm  
of first class standing  
would certainly risk  
the order or  
return the money  
to sender. These  
files are very  
indignant, and justify

as at the treatment  
they have received.

I would suggest  
that the matter be  
looked after and if  
possible that this  
office be informed  
of result.

Inasmuch as the  
papers herewith are  
the property of private  
parties and which  
to retain them I  
must respectfully  
ask their return

And signed



The first of these is the  
 fact that the number of  
 the series is not finite.  
 The second is that the  
 series is not convergent.  
 The third is that the  
 series is not absolutely  
 convergent.

The fourth is that the  
 series is not uniformly  
 convergent. The fifth is  
 that the series is not  
 absolutely convergent.



*Hibernian Bank.*

*June 5th 4*

*Capt A. G. Sharpe  
Chief P. O. Inspector  
Washington D. C.*

*Sir:*

*The enclosed papers relating to a  
supposed lost Registered letter are  
respectfully forwarded for the  
information of your office.*

*The letter in question was  
sent by the Hibernian Bank of  
this city and was addressed to  
J. Mathews, Cafistrano, Los Angeles  
Co. California but through  
some blunder on part of the  
Reg. Division in San Francisco  
postoffice it was billed and sent*



Atkinson Bank

June 24

Washingt D.C.  
Chief of Inspectors  
Post Office

Sir:

The enclosed papers relating to  
inspectors last inspectors letter are  
respectfully forwarded for the  
information of your office.  
The letter inspection was  
sent by the Atkinson Bank of  
the city and was returned to  
J. Martens, California, Los Angeles  
Co. California but through  
some blunder our part of the  
Dep. Division in San Francisco  
fractured it was killed and sent



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to Los Angeles, Cal., and was held  
there for several days until in-  
formation was received from  
San Francisco and then forwarded  
to Rafistrano. This blunder cost  
the addressee \$2.50 in actual cash  
for telegraphing - besides causing  
him to lose a contract because  
of the failure to receive the money  
enclosed in the letter at proper  
time. I suggested to the Postmaster  
at San Francisco, that the clerk  
making this blunder, re-imburse  
the man for actual expenses - ie  
\$2.50 for telegraphing - which the  
Bank say they would do if the  
error was theirs. I still think  
that such would not be more  
than proper and acting on this



to the College, Cal., and was held  
 there for several days until in-  
 formation was received from  
 Dan Starnes and then forwarded  
 to Washington. This document cost  
 the Government \$25 in actual cost  
 for telegraphing - besides carrying  
 him to Los Angeles and back  
 of the failure to receive the money  
 enclosed in the letter at first  
 time. I suggested to the Postmaster  
 at Dan Starnes, that the clerk  
 making the blunders, or mistakes  
 the reason for actual expenses - is  
 \$25 for telegraphing - which the  
 bank say they would do if the  
 error was there. Still think  
 that such would not be more  
 than proper and saving on the



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"Hypothesis" I forward the papers for the consideration of your office. I am fully aware of the fact that the question of damages is a matter not determined by the Department. still where a man is put to actual expense and no claim is set up for damages, it seems to me but very just that the official responsible should pay the amount. Postal Clerks have had their pay reduced for no greater carelessness than this. The amount is insignificant but the principle involved is one which every reputable business house recognizes as law.

My letter to the Postmaster



My letter to the Postmaster  
 Virginia on Jan.  
 respectful business house recog-  
 nized is now under way.  
 is insignificant but the friends  
 however than this. The amount  
 pay reduced for us greater care  
 Postal Clerk have had their  
 be about pay the amount.  
 just that the official response  
 go, it seems to me but very  
 and no claim is set up for damage.  
 as man is put to actual expense  
 by the department. All where  
 go is a matter not determined  
 for that the question of damage  
 office. I am fully aware of the  
 for the consideration of you  
 "Lippincott" I forward the paper



at San Francisco, herewith, is  
wanting in signature but was  
dictated by me. The failure to  
sign can only be accounted  
for by saying it was overlooked  
Very respectfully

Inspector



at San Francisco, Germany, is  
 mounting in signature but was  
 dictated by me. The failure to  
 sign can only be accounted  
 for by saying it was overlooked  
 Very respectfully

Charles



642.00

June 6<sup>th</sup> 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp  
 Chief P. O. Inspector  
 Washington D. C.

Sir:

Postal Note #129 issued at  
 Watsonville Cal 1<sup>st</sup> 72-83 on San Jose  
 Cal - sent by Lung Sing to Fook  
 Wah - is herewith respectfully  
 returned together with all papers  
 relating to the wrong payment  
 at San Jose thereof as per the  
 request of Hon. J. H. Cla herewith.  
 All efforts of the postmaster  
 at San Jose to discover to whom  
 this note was paid resulted  
 in no discovery. A Chinaman



June 20

June 20

Col. C. F. Smith  
Chief of Department  
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Postal Note #129 received and  
Materiel Col 102 to our Quartermaster  
Col - sent by Express Ship to Cuba  
Work - is herewith respectfully  
returned together with all papers  
relating to the various payments  
not Quartermaster there of for the  
request of Hon. J. M. Blair  
All efforts of the Quartermaster  
not Quartermaster to discover to whom  
this note was paid resulting  
in no discovery. A statement



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is a hard subject to investigate.  
They are not anxious to give  
information concerning one  
another that would perhaps  
lead to an arrest.

Nothing further can be done  
in this matter.

Very respectfully  
Geo. L. Briggs  
Inspector



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is no hard subject to investigate.  
 They are not anxious to give  
 information concerning our  
 character that would furnish

lead to our arrest.  
 Nothing further can be done  
 in this matter.

Very respectfully,  
 Wm. L. Garrison  
 Secretary



Forwarded to  
Capt. A. B. Shanks  
Chief Postmaster  
Washington D.C.  
Calling attention to  
report of Inspector  
Gottlieb, Kentucky.  
The note complained  
of should certainly  
be corrected without  
delay.

Gen. L. Seybert Esq  
P.O. Inspector

Sir

I desire to call your attention to some customs that appear to prevail in this part of the Eighth Division R.M.S. in relation to the manner in which the service is performed that do not seem to properly comply with the postal laws prescribed for said service, and for the good of the service and more especially that branch of it we are directly interested in should if possible be corrected. It is the almost universal custom of the



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postmasters and Postal Clerks to turn over registered matter without endorsement as to condition or date of receipt. This first came to my notice at Garrison on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Being in the P.O. at Garrison, saw a large number of registered letters and packages that had been turned over by postal Clerk Hopkins and with one or two exceptions none of them having any endorsement whatever from the Clerk. The P.M. was about making up his pouch for transfer without endorsement, and I called his attention to the rule. He said he had not been instructed to do so, but would in future. In the Helena P.O. where many registered packages are transferred daily no endorsement



postmaster and postal clerk to turn  
 on register matter without further  
 want as to collection a date of receipt.  
 This first came to my notice at  
 Lawrence on May 24th. Being in  
 the Post Office, I saw a large number  
 of registers taken over by postal clerk  
 who had been turned over by postal clerk  
 Hoffman and with one or two exceptions  
 none of them having any endorsement  
 whatever from the Clerk, Mr. P.M.  
 was about making up his parcel  
 for transfer without endorsement,  
 and I called his attention to the  
 rule. He said he had not been  
 instructed to do so. But however  
 later on, in the volume P.O. where  
 many registers had been  
 transferred already no endorsement



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is made on registered matter by any clerk in that office. The same is true of nearly all the offices on the line of the U.P.R.R. This is certainly wrong and should be corrected without delay. On May 24. I rode from Milwaukee to Garrison on U & N R.R. arrived at Garrison about 1<sup>45</sup> P.M. at about 2 P.M. went to the postoffice car and found the door open, the mail for West in the doorway and no clerk in the car or near it. A person supposed to be an employee of the R.R. was cleaning out the car and "piled" the mail up in the car before sweeping out. When he got through at 2<sup>45</sup> he closed the door. No one knew me, but I opened the door



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 Clerk in that Office. The same is  
 of nearly all the Office in the line  
 of the W. R. M. This is certainly  
 wrong and should be corrected  
 without delay. On May 24. 1872  
 from Melbourne to London on 12.4.72  
 It is assumed at London about 1.15  
 P.M. at about 2 P.M. went to the  
 hotel car and found the door  
 open, the man for West in the  
 doorway and no Clerk in the car  
 or near it. A person supposed to be  
 an employee of the R. L. was  
 clearing out the car and "piled"  
 the stuff up in the car before  
 sleeping out. When he got through  
 at 2.15 he closed the door. No one  
 there but I opened the door



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and went into the car and remained there until the train was moved some 300 yards up the yard. There was a large mail both pouches and canvas sacks in the car. There were several letters say 20 or 30. in one of the letter boxes in the case, and a number of mail locks besides empty pouches & sacks and other Post office property in the car. No one asked me my business, and after waiting 40 minutes I left the car, and kept the door in view until 2<sup>30</sup> PM, nearly an hour after arrival of the train, the postal Clerk Hopkins came from the Post Office to the car. There was no excuse for leaving the car unlocked. The train remained at Garrison nearly 3 hours. No mail



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 and went into the car and remained  
 there until the train was moved home  
 and passed up the yard. There was a  
 large mail box packed and carried  
 back in the car. There were several  
 letters sent to or from one of the  
 letter boxes in the car, and a number  
 of mail bags besides empty parcels  
 & bags and other Post Office property  
 in the car. No one asked me  
 my business, and after waiting  
 no minutes I left the car, and  
 kept the door in view until 2:30 PM.  
 nearly an hour after arrival of the  
 train, the Post Office Clerk Hopkins came  
 from the Post Office to the car. There  
 was no excuse for leaving the car  
 unwatched. The train remained at  
 Garrison nearly 3 hours. No mail



left Garrison either way until 11.0 O'Clock  
 P.M. I mention this to show how easily  
 a robbery of mail could be effected and  
no one appear to blame. Again at  
 Garrison on arrival of West bound  
 train at about 11 P.M. all registered  
mail is placed in the baggage room  
 at the station, and at about 3 A.M.  
 the train bound East leaves registered  
 mail in same place for U & N.R.R.  
 where it remains until the P.O. is  
 opened in the morning. This company  
 use the mail for Utah, Idaho,  
 Nevada & California, that goes over  
 the U & N. & C.P.R.R. This may  
 be the best disposition that can  
 be made but it appears to be a  
 large quantity of valuable matter



left Harrison after noon until 11.00 AM  
 P.M. I mention this to show how early  
 a setting of mail could be effected and  
 no one appears to blame. Again at  
 Harrison on arrival of West bound  
 train at about 11.30 AM all registered  
 mail is placed in the baggage room  
 at the station, and at about 3.30 PM  
 the train leaves East bound registered  
 mail is taken place for W. H. R.  
 where it remains until the P.M. is  
 opened in the morning. This contains  
 all the mail for Utah, Idaho,  
 Nevada & California, that goes over  
 the W. H. R. P.M. This may  
 be the last disposition that can  
 be made but it appears to be a  
 large quantity of mail also matter



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to be left in this manner without  
 the protection of the P.D. I have  
 called your attention to these things  
 that the proper officers of the R.M.D.  
 may be notified and opportunity  
 given for such instructions to clerks  
 and other employees as will  
 remedy these errors, that promise  
 if continued to give our depart-  
 ment great annoyance if nothing  
 more serious

Very respectfully  
 J. R. [illegible]  
 [illegible]



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to be left in this manner without  
 the protection of the P.O. I have  
 called your attention to these things  
 that the proper officers of the P.M.O.  
 may be notified and instructed  
 given for such instructions to check  
 our other envelopes as well  
 usually these men, that procure  
 of course need to give our report  
 must great encouragement of writing  
 some serious



A. J. Doran Draft.

June 9th

Capt. A. G. Stark

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington DC

Sir:

I am pleased to acknowledge the receipt of warrant #2400 for \$400<sup>00</sup> on Jas. U. S. Treasurer at San Francisco, Cal., in favor of A. J. Doran Sheriff of Pinal County, Arizona in payment of reward for arrest & conviction of stage robbers.

Same will be forwarded to him at once.

Respectfully

Inspector



A. J. Brown

Case A. J. Brown  
Chief A. J. Brown  
Washington DC

Received of A. J. Brown  
\$2000 for  
the purchase of  
the land in  
the town of  
A. J. Brown  
in the county of  
A. J. Brown  
for the purpose of  
the purchase of  
the land in  
the town of  
A. J. Brown

A. J. Brown  
A. J. Brown



mail route from  
Caudalaria to Columbus (Nev.)

June 6th

Capt. A. G. Shank

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington D. C.

Sir:

There is a mail route running from Caudalaria to Columbus (Nev) nine (9) miles for which the Government is paying seven times per week service. As there are but 8 or 10 people now at Columbus there is no necessity for more service than is now being performed on route from Columbus to Gold Mountain (Nev.) and I would respectfully recommend-

First - that the service on



more route from  
Columbus (N.M.)

June 24

Chief of Police  
Washington D.C.

There is a small route running  
from Columbus to Columbus (N.M.)  
Nine (9) miles for which the Bureau  
is paying seven times per  
week. The route is not  
8 or 10 miles from Columbus  
there is no necessity for more  
than is now being performed  
our route from Columbus to Gold-  
Mountain (N.M.) and I would re-  
spectfully recommend  
that the route be



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route from Caudalaria to Columbus  
be discontinued - and that the route  
from Columbus to Gold Mountain  
be made to commence at Caudalaria  
increasing distance to last named  
route nine (9) miles. As Caudalaria  
is a Railroad station it is very  
proper that it should be the initial  
point for this route and Columbus  
is not now receiving mail any  
more frequent than other points  
on the route.

Very respectfully

Inspector



route from Cordoba to Columbia  
 is direct - and that the route  
 from Columbia to Gold Mountain  
 is much to be commended at Cordoba  
 interesting station to last named  
 route this (P) miles. The Cordoba  
 is a Railroad station it is very  
 proper that it should be the  
 point for the route and Columbia  
 is not more reaching mail and  
 more frequent than other points  
 on the route.

Very respectfully

Chas. Foster



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Dear Sir,

Sometime since I recommended the  
payment of a reward to J. W. Thacker for  
the arrest and conviction of Jack King  
and Wm Adams for the robbery of the  
Wells in Idaho. July 31. 1882.

These men were sentenced for life and  
so Thacker has justly earned this re-  
ward. I should very much like to  
see him get it. If there are any  
obstacles to the payment of this claim  
please advise me.

Very Respectfully  
Geo. W. Dwyer.  
Idaho.

The papers giving full facts are on file.



Dear Sir,  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed purchase of the land for the purpose of building a new church for the congregation of the First Baptist Church of this city. I am very glad to hear that you are so interested in the cause, and I am sure that the church will be greatly benefited by the completion of the new building. I have no objection to the purchase of the land, and I am sure that the church will be able to raise the necessary funds to complete the building. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
Wm. L. Johnson

Wm. L. Johnson  
10th St. N. W.  
Washington, D. C.



Section  
233. P.L. & R '79.

Confidential

June 12<sup>th</sup> 84

Capt. A.G. Sharp

Chief P.O. Inspector

Washington D.C.

Sir:

A recent ruling received from your office dated May 22-84-re-  
garding Section 233 P.L. & R '79.  
embarrasses me very much as  
it seems to render null said  
section, which I certainly have  
always misunderstood if that  
ruling is correct. I have always  
considered that section to mean  
that the penalty was incurred  
when the package was deposited  
for mailing. Nine times out of







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 then those packages are not examined  
 by postmasters as they should be  
 but the person mailing is asked  
 whether package contains any writ-  
 ing, <sup>and</sup> if party depositing is a  
 woman, the answer invariably  
 is "no." - There does not seem much  
 this ruling to be any risk incurred  
 for if detected <sup>and</sup> the addressee  
 refuses to pay the postage then the  
 package shall be returned to office  
 of mailing <sup>and</sup> the sender certainly  
 would pay the extra postage rather  
 than lose - This being generally  
 known <sup>and</sup> there are thousands  
 who will take that risk to save  
 the paying of letter postage - If  
 not detected, they are that much  
 ahead <sup>and</sup> when detected simply



the above packages are not examined  
 by postmaster as they should be  
 but the person remaining is asked  
 whether packages contain any  
 thing, and if found sufficient in  
 amount, the answer is usually  
 "No." - There are not even  
 the ruling to the any risk incurred  
 for if detected by the authorities  
 refuses to pay the postage then the  
 packages shall be returned to office  
 of mailing and the sender certainly  
 would pay the extra postage rather  
 than \$1000 - This being generally  
 known and there are thousands  
 who will take that risk to save  
 the shipping of letter postage - If  
 not detected they are that much  
 richer and not detected usually



pay the amount of postage which they should have paid in the first place.

On the list of arrests for October 1883 - I notice seventy four (74) cases for violation of section #233 P.L. & R. 54 of which are credited to the District at St. Louis Mo. (Edgerton).

I question if in any one of those cases the addressee <sup>and</sup> sender both refused to pay postage due - or were even asked. I would also call attention in January list of arrests 1884 - Cases #26721<sup>C</sup> Mrs R. W. Strother - arrested<sup>(?)</sup> at Cincinnati by J. H. Brown - <sup>and</sup> Geo. H. Smith also arrested by same Inspector both cases - violation of section 233. P.L. & R '79.



they should have found in the first  
place.

The list of names for October  
 1883 - I have twenty four (24) cases  
 for vaccination of section #233 O. & W. Dr.  
 staff which are credited to the Dr.  
 paid at Atlantic Mo. (Edgerton).

never asked. I would also call  
refused to pay postage due - or would  
cancel the addresses and send back  
I repeat if in any one of these

1884 - Cases # 26721 Mrs R. W. W.  
returned in forward list of assets

about cases - ventilation of section  
when excavated by same method  
by J. H. Brown - but see the Journal  
at Princeton

78' 2nd. 2d. 3d. 4d. 5d.



In connection with your ruling of  
May 22/84. I would respectfully  
call your attention to Rulings as  
follows:-

# 406 on page 490 # 424 on  
page 492 # 490 page 499 # 618 on  
page 512 # 728 on page 522 # 1016  
on page 549 and # 1072 on page 554.  
all in January '84 U.S. Postal Guide

I write you this as there  
seems to be a serious conflict in  
those rulings made by the Law  
offices of the Department regard-  
ing the Section 233 of P.L. & R. 79.  
and as I cannot see how any  
penalty can be enforced under  
the last ruling - nor can I under-  
stand how Edgerton<sup>he</sup> fifty four  
cases in one month - all violations



Green in one month - all violations  
 stand for Department's fifth form  
 the last ruling - and can I under-  
 standly can be enforced under  
 law as I cannot see how any  
 and the Section 233 of D. C. Act of 1877.  
 officers of the Department report  
 these ruling made by the law  
 seems to be a serious conflict in  
 I write you this as there  
 all in January at N.Y. Postal Guide  
 non page 227 # 1072 on page 224  
 page 222 # 1228 on page 222 # 1016  
 page 222 # 420 page 222 # 618 on  
 # 400 on page 222 # 424 on  
 follows: -

I have your attention to following as  
 may be of interest regarding of



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of that section.

I enforced penalty in case of O'Dwyer & Einhorn San Francisco Cal. sending package of samples (4th Class) containing writing & forwarded to you \$10<sup>00</sup> on May 2/84. Also in case #2735<sup>C</sup> San Francisco News Co. returned to you on 2/1-84 with \$10<sup>00</sup>. Also in case #767<sup>00</sup> Miss Kate Hannigan & Miss Dussie Cody. which was forwarded to you on 3/20/84 with \$10<sup>28</sup> - all of which now seems to me to have been an error as parties concerned were not asked - nor did they refuse to pay postage due.

Please give me your opinion on this. This office is only anxious to enforce the law & protect the revenue of the P.O. Dept. &  
Very respectfully  
Inspector



of that section.  
I enclosed herewith in case  
of October 2nd. I have been informed  
that sending packages of samples  
(not clean) containing nothing but for-  
warded to you \$10.00 and then expect  
them in case #272. I have been informed  
that Co. returned to you and 2/1-84  
with \$10.00. I have in case #272  
Miss State. I have been informed that you  
copy. which was forwarded to you  
and expect with \$10.00. All of  
which was given to me to have  
been an error on further correction  
now not correct. but did they  
refuse to pay postage due.  
Please give me your opinion  
on this. This office is only anxious  
to enforce the law and protect the revenue  
very respectfully  
of the U.S. Dept. of  
Treasury



Geo. S. McGuire

June 12<sup>th</sup> 7

Capt. A. G. Sharpe  
Chief P. O. Inspector  
Washington D. C.

Sir:

I would respectfully report for  
the information of your office that  
in the case of Geo. S. McGuire - arrest  
ed on April 16<sup>th</sup> - & charged with  
opening a letter addressed to Mrs  
C. L. Fairbanks, San Francisco, Cal.,  
in violation of section 1234 P. D. & R.  
1879 who was brought before the  
U. S. Court in this city on April 28<sup>th</sup>  
last - & held in the sum of 1000<sup>00</sup>  
to await the action of Grand Jury  
in the May term of the U. S. Court.



Geo. W. Morgan

June 10th

Capt. W. Morgan

Chief of Police  
Washington D.C.

I would respectfully request for  
the information of your office that  
in the case of Geo. W. Morgan - arrest  
at New York it is charged with  
refusing to better address to you  
D. C. Fairbanks, New York, Cal.  
in violation of section 1234 D.C. Code  
1877 who was brought before the  
U.S. Court in New York City on April 28th  
last and held in the sum of 1000  
to await the action of Grand Jury  
in the next term of the U.S. Court.



that body failed to find a true bill but ignored the charge.

As Merqure admitted to receiving the letter <sup>and</sup> taking it to the Police headquarters in this city <sup>and</sup> that it was there opened, I have to conclude that the Grand Jury does not consider it an offense for officers to open letters in order to get evidence against criminals. Fairbanks the writer of the letter <sup>and</sup> husband of the addressee having been adjudged a criminal for obtaining money from Merqure - his partner in business - under false pretences.

The complaint in this case was made by the addressee <sup>and</sup> I have always doubted if



that body failed to find a true bill  
 but ignored the charge.  
 The Magistrate submitted to receive  
 my the letter <sup>and</sup> taking it to the  
 Police head quarters in this city and  
 that it was there referred, I have  
 to conclude that the present day  
 does not consider it an offence  
 for officers to open letters in order  
 to get evidence against criminals.  
 I have the number of the letter  
 and number of the address but  
 I am not supplied a criminal  
 for obtaining money from the  
 person in question in business -  
 under false pretences.  
 The complaint in this  
 case was made by the address  
 and I have already submitted it



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an indictment could be had  
owing to Fairbanks' having been  
convicted of fraudulent practices  
and sentenced to one year in the  
house of correction.

Very respectfully

Inspector







June 14<sup>th</sup> 4

Capt. A. G. Sharb  
Chief P. O. Inspector  
Washington D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed papers are respectfully forwarded with the statement that in the opinion of this office the route from Cloverdale to Eureka Cal, # 46117, should supply Laytonville, Cal, as under former contract. Under the new advertisement - to take effect July 1st - 84 that office is left off the above route <sup>and</sup> given supply from Westport. The route from Westport to Laytonville, Cal,



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June 14th

Chief of Police  
Washington D.C.

The enclosed papers are respectfully forwarded with the statement that in the opinion of this office the route from Cleveland to Cincinnati, Col. #4117, should be kept day-tourville, Col. as under former contract. Under the new road route want to take effect July 1st at that office is left off the above route and given solely from Westport. The route from Westport to Daytonville, Col.



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should be so changed as to end at  
Calisto, Cal, decreasing the distance  
four miles. The service as being  
performed under present contract  
is satisfactory to the people <sup>and</sup> should  
be continued.

Very respectfully  
Geo. H. Lybick  
Inspector



should be so changed as to read at  
 Col. 1, Cap. 1, observing the distance  
 from miles. The service on being  
 performed under present contract  
 is satisfactory to the people and should  
 be continued.

Very respectfully

Chapman



Redding Cal.

June 19<sup>th</sup> 4

Capt. A. J. Shank

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Mr James McCormick - the postmaster at Redding, California called at this office today relative to additional allowance for one clerk to perform the duties at night at his office. He has now an allowance of \$5.00 per Quarter - but that does not enable him to employ a man for the full time needed.

It is very necessary that some provision should be



Meeting Cal.

June 19th

John J. Brown  
Chief of Police  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,  
I have been informed that you are  
interested in the office of the  
Chief of Police of the District of  
Columbia. I am sorry to hear that  
you are not able to perform the  
duties of the office. It is very  
unfortunate that you should be  
unable to perform the duties of  
the office. I am sorry to hear that  
you are not able to perform the  
duties of the office. It is very  
unfortunate that you should be  
unable to perform the duties of  
the office.



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on duty at night at the Redding  
California post office - as the trains  
now arrive there at 9<sup>45</sup> P.M.  
and leave at 4<sup>30</sup> A.M. leaving  
all the exchanges of mails and  
handling of Registered matter  
to be done at night. which the  
postmaster under present arrang-  
ment cannot begin to do prop-  
erly. It is the terminal office  
of the Railroad and will so re-  
main for sometime to come -  
hence it is very important that  
some competent person be  
employed to make these exchanges  
An extra allowance of \$5.00 per  
month is asked for by him and  
I do not believe that a good  
man can be secured for any



our duty at night at the building  
 California Postoffice - on the train  
 now arrives there at 9<sup>45</sup> P.M.  
 and leaves at 4<sup>15</sup> A.M. leaving  
 all the machinery of mails (and)  
 handling of registered matter  
 to be done at night. Until the  
 Postmaster under present arrange-  
 ment cannot begin to do work  
 only. It is the terminal office  
 of the Railroad and will be re-  
 main for sometime to come -  
 hence it is very important that  
 some competent person be  
 employed to make these changes  
 The extra allowance of 50<sup>00</sup> per  
 month is asked for by him (and)  
 do not believe that a good  
 man can be secured for any



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less. In addition to the work made at that office at night it is only necessary to call your attention to the fact that all the mails leaving there by stage do so between 11 o'clock P.M. and 5 o'clock A.M. leaving pretty well all of the work to be done at night - which the postmaster cannot do with his present allowance.

I would respectfully recommend that the amount he asks for - viz. \$500 per month be allowed him from July 1st next - as long as his office is the terminal one of the Red. & White A.P.O. and if the fact of the allowance having



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has. In addition to the work  
made at that office at night  
it is only necessary to call upon  
attendants to the fact that all  
the mails leaving there by stage  
as at Boston 11 o'clock (P.M. only)  
to look at the leaving party well  
all of the work to be done at  
night. Under the fact that  
cannot be with his present  
allowance.

I would respectfully request  
that the amount be  
made for - 500 - for the month  
be allowed him from July  
next - as long as his office  
is the terminal one of the  
line (P.M. only) and if the  
fact of the allowance having



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been granted can be telegraphed  
Mr M. Cornick it will aid  
him very much in the proper  
handling of mail at that place.  
As you are personally familiar  
with the situation of things  
at Redding, Cal, you will no  
doubt see the importance  
of this additional allowance  
Yours respectfully

Very respectfully  
Geo. L. Rybolt  
Inspector

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referred to

Calo. A. F. Tharpe.

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington — DE

For his information

Aug 26 1892.

The case will be re-  
stained here awaiting  
further orders

Geo. D. Campbell







June 27<sup>th</sup>. 4.

Capt. A. G. Thayer

Chief P. T. Inspector  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I would respectfully report  
the alleged wrongful payment  
of money order as follows:

# drawn at San Francisco  
Cal, on May 16-84 for \$35<sup>00</sup> by Dr.  
Jude D. Bettencourt #310 Kearney  
Street in favor of Miss E. de laune  
Mendonca, Lowell, Mass.

Said order was paid  
at Lowell, Mass, on June 18/84  
to one E. J. Mendua. The money  
was sent to the lady to pay her



Dear Sir,  
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th inst. in relation to the matter of the estate of the late John F. Kennedy, deceased, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
 Yours, &c.  
 J. F. Kennedy



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fare to some point - as she was very sick <sup>and</sup> in moderate circumstances. She has not acknowledged the receipt of the amount <sup>and</sup> sender is somewhat in doubt as to whether it reached her at all. The letter conveying it was registered # 6256.

I would respectfully suggest an investigation at Lowell, Mass <sup>and</sup> ask that this office be informed of result.

Very respectfully  
 Wm. L. Gaybohn  
 Inspector



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fine to some faint - as the was very  
 high but in moderate circumstances.  
 The two that acknowledged the  
 receipt of the amount but sent  
 is somewhat in doubt as to  
 whether it reached her at all.  
 The letter covering it was  
 registered # 625.

Charles respectfully suggest  
 an investigation at Lowell Mass  
 and ask that this office be in-  
 formed of result.

Very respectfully  
 Wm. L. Stephens  
 Charleston



June 27<sup>th</sup> 4

Capt A. G. Sharp  
Chief P. O. Inspector  
Washington D. C.

Sir:

Having purchased a Type-  
writer - as per your authority  
granted on June 13<sup>th</sup> or I would  
respectfully ask that some  
heading and blank sheets for  
use on same be furnished  
this office. The addition of the  
instrument to this office will  
aid us very materially and at  
an early day we hope to be  
thoroughly familiar with the  
satisfactory operation of it.  
Yours faithfully  
Geo. B. Dykes  
Inspector



June 27<sup>th</sup> 4  
 Capt. A. P. Clark  
 Chief of Dept.  
 Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:  
 Having furnished a copy  
 written for your information  
 regarding our June 27<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup>  
 respectfully ask that some  
 bearing be taken about for  
 some one to be furnished  
 this office. The relation of the  
 instrument to this office will  
 make us very much obliged  
 some early day we hope to be  
 personally furnished with the  
 satisfactory information of the  
 same.



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June 27th

Capt A. G. Sharpe

Chief P. O. Inspector

Washington D.C.

Sir:

Please send for use of the  
office 1/2 doz - 1000 page Letter  
press copying books. We have all  
those on hand now in use <sup>and</sup>  
will need a new supply soon.  
I would state that the ones last  
sent here are very inferior in  
quality of paper - It is almost  
impossible to make a good copy  
in those books <sup>and</sup> keep it from  
"setting off" after it is made -  
as we have considerable copying



We have sent for one of the  
 office to buy - 1000 pages letter  
 from copying books. We have all  
 these our hands now in our  
 will need a new supply soon.  
 should state that the new last  
 sent here are very inferior in  
 quality of paper - It is almost  
 impossible to make a good copy  
 in these books but best is from  
 "better off" after it is made -  
 we have considerable copying

This  
 Washington D.C.  
 Chief of Construction  
 John A. Smith

June 27th



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to do. I herewith again enclose  
 a sample sheet out of books  
 which were in use by this office  
 before. In those books it was  
 not difficult to take impressions  
 from 50, or more, sheets at a  
 time <sup>and</sup> each <sup>and</sup> every one of  
 them would be perfect. In  
 those last received from the  
 Department the ink spreads -  
 unless very careful <sup>and</sup> taking but  
 5 or 6 pages at a time - In our  
 other books that was not the  
 case <sup>and</sup> considerable time - which  
 is an object here - was saved.  
 Can you give us something  
 better than the last lot?

Very respectfully  
 Geo. L. Rybolt  
 Inspector



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to do. I have written again in order  
 to sample about out of books  
 which were in use by the office  
 before. In those books it was  
 not sufficient to take information  
 from 10, or more, sheets at a  
 time and each copy was of  
 them would be perfect. In  
 those last received from the  
 Department the work of records -  
 unless very careful and taking but  
 2 or 3 pages at a time - In our  
 other books that was not the  
 case but considerable time - which  
 is an object here - was saved.  
 There was now given in continuing  
 better than the last lot?

Very respectfully  
 Geo. A. Russell  
 Chief Clerk



Adams }  
King } Thacker's  
reward.

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returned to  
Capt. A. G. Sharp  
Chief P.O. Inspector  
Washington D.C.  
with the information  
that the second copy  
of Judgment of the  
Court was sent to  
Department in this  
case on March 27-84  
by Registered Mail  
addressed to his office  
and must have been  
received. I forwarded  
some other letters  
on the subject.

Wm. L. G. 1000.



Admiral's Chamber  
Room

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returned to  
last of March  
Chief D. O. Inspector  
Washington D. C.  
with the information  
that the record copy  
of judgment of the  
Court was sent to  
Department in the  
case on March 27-28  
by registered mail  
addressed to his office  
but must have been  
received - I suppose  
some time since

on the 27th of March



Blackfoot Idaho. June 28<sup>th</sup> 4  
 George L. Dybbet Esq  
 P. O. Inspector  
 Sir

We have the honor to report  
 that we have this day made an  
 inspection of the post office at this  
 place and report that the postmaster  
 C. E. Ash. is short in his accounts  
 to more than Two hundred dollars  
 (\$200<sup>00</sup>) and would recommend  
 his immediate removal. From  
 some statements made by a citizen  
 of Blackfoot on our way South on the  
 Wat & Northern R.R. It appeared to be  
 advisable to examine this office



I have the honor to report  
 that we have this day made an  
 inspection of the post office at this  
 place. and report that the postmaster  
 J. C. Clark is short in his accounts  
 to more than two hundred dollars  
 (\$200<sup>00</sup>) and would a sum near  
 his immediate removal. From  
 some statements made by a citizen  
 of Blackfoot we can say that in the  
 month of March. It appears to be  
 advisable to remove this office

J. C. Clark  
 George L. Clark Esq  
 Blackfoot Idaho. June 28<sup>th</sup> 18



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and with this result -

Upon a demand from Ash for his Postal funds and money, Order Cash, he produced from his Safe, the sum of (\$17.50) Seventeen Dollars and fifty cents which he said was all the money in the Office and that this was his balance of Money Order funds on hand. When asked for his Postal Funds he stated that he had no Separate account but had deposited his personal funds and the post office money together. Mr. Baunerman asked him when he made his last deposit, and he could not say. He finally, by emptying his pockets produced \$25<sup>00</sup> which he said represented in part the postal money, but how much of it was his own, he could not tell. We then



and with the amount -  
 Upon a check and from day for his  
 Postal funds and money Order Cash. He  
 produced from his safe, the sum of  
 \$17.50 (seventeen dollars and fifty cents)  
 which he said was all the money in the  
 office and that this was his balance of  
 money (the funds on hand). When asked  
 for his Postal funds he stated that he had  
 no separate account but was deposited  
 his personal funds and the Post Office money  
 together. The Government asked him  
 when he made his last report, and  
 he could not say. He said, by comparing  
 his Postal funds \$37.00 which he  
 said represented in cash the Postal  
 money, but had some of it was his  
 own, he could not tell. He then



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took an inventory of p.o. property on hand with following result.

Stamps etc on hand March 31-84- \$218.16

Received since Mar 31- 270.30

paid for box rents. 2<sup>d</sup> quarter 84- 27  
\$515.46

Stamps etc. on hand June 28<sup>th</sup> 168.11

Commissions on Cancellations to - 111.26

allowance for Clerk. 37.50 316.87

Balance due U.S. \$198.59

Cash on hand \$35.00

Just to make good balance \$3.59- \$198.59

The money order funds were correct. When Mr Ash was asked for his money he stated that it was on deposit in the Idaho Bank, but we ascertained that he had no money in the bank either as



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Took an inventory of J. O. Property on  
hand with following result.

March 31 - 1884 - \$18.16

March 31 - 1884 - \$20.30

March 31 - 1884 - \$21.46

\$21.46

March 31 - 1884 - \$21.46

March 31 - 1884 - \$21.46

March 31 - 1884 - \$21.46

\$198.89

March 31 - 1884 - \$21.46

March 31 - 1884 - \$21.46

March 31 - 1884 - \$21.46

The money order found was correct. When

the last was called for his money he stated

that it was on deposit in the State

Bank, but we ascertained that he

had no money in the bank either as



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postal money or his own private funds  
We are satisfied that he has been  
using the money of the P.O. Department  
continually and has at close of  
each quarter made good his balance  
temporarily to close his quarterly accounts  
He is very unpopular and is unfit  
for the position of postmaster under  
any circumstances. As there appears  
to be some contest as to the proper  
person to appoint to the position  
We prefer not to recommend a  
person for postmaster, and that  
matter will be done by the people at  
Blackfoot who will forward a  
name to the Department. In the  
meantime have placed Mr.  
James M. Leche, one of the



I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the P.O. Department. I am very much interested in the matter and will endeavor to give you a full and complete answer as soon as possible. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
 Yours, &c.  
 J. M. Smith



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Siretus, in charge of the Office  
 pending an appointment

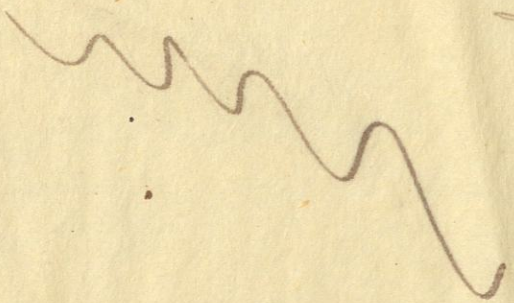
Very respectfully

W. A. Robinson }  
 J. R. Barneman } Inspectors

Blackfoot.

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referred to  
 Capt. A. J. Murphy  
 Chief of Inspection  
 Washington D.C.  
 for his information



Chas. L. Dyer



Very respectfully  
 forwarding an appointment  
 to meet, in charge of the office

*Handwritten:*  
 Mr. J. B. Thompson  
 J. B. Thompson  
 J. B. Thompson

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14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20.



Sent 7/3-84  
Registered

July 2d

Capt. A. G. Thark  
Chief P. O. Inspector  
Washington D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed papers are respectfully referred for the information of your office. This robbery occurred on Jan'y 8th - 82, and the robber was convicted in the Superior Court of the County of Santa Barbara (Cal.) at the March 82. term and sentenced for life.

I have no knowledge of this matter other than is contained in these papers - but am of the opinion that when a known



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July 24

Wm. A. R. Clark  
 Chief of Department  
 Washington D.C.

The enclosed papers are respectfully referred for the information of your office. This matter is connected with the Superior Court of the County of Santa Barbara (Cal.) at the March 20th term and returned for life. I have no knowledge of this matter other than is contained in these papers - but am of the opinion that under known



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Highwayman can be secured <sup>and</sup>  
convicted for life. the Government  
can well afford to reward the  
captors. I think this robbery  
occurred during the time you  
were in charge of District here.

Very respectfully  
Edw. L. R. Smith  
Inspector



I am well & afford to reward the  
 assistants, I think this robbery  
 occurred during the time you  
 were in charge of district here

Very respectfully  
 J. L. [unclear]  
 [unclear]



Roxeman M.T. June 23<sup>d</sup> 4

George L. Seyboet. Esq  
P.O. Inspector

Sir

On June 22<sup>d</sup>. in the post office  
at this place my attention was called  
to a parcel of mail matter apparently  
a newspaper upon which one cent  
postage had been paid. The paper  
was addressed Mr Chas Williams  
Roxeman. Examination of the paper  
showed a violation of Sec. P.L.R  
1879. One Thomas Craham had  
written a letter and enclosed the  
same together with a vial filled  
with liquid, in the paper addressed



Dear Sir  
 George L. D. report. Copy  
 Wm. L. Garrison  
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On June 25, in the post office  
 at this place my attention was called  
 to a parcel of mail matter apparently  
 a newspaper upon which one cent  
 postage had been paid, the paper  
 was addressed to the Ches. Williams  
 Garrison, Examination of the paper  
 showed a variation of Dec. 1879. Wm. Thomas Graham has  
 written a letter and enclosed the  
 same together with a real friend  
 with respect, in the paper addressed



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as above, Under the provisions of  
the postal law and instructions  
from the P.O. Department. I wrote to  
Elihu Craham at Townsend Montana  
informing him he had violated the  
law, also the penalty for such  
violation and demanded of  
him the payment of (\$10<sup>00</sup>) ten  
dollars, He has complied and  
sent the money and it is herewith  
inclosed with this report.

Very respectfully  
W. A. Robinson  
Inspector

Violations Section  
#233 P.O. No. 79.

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Forwarded to  
Capt. W. A. Clark  
Chief P.O. Inspector  
Washington D.C.  
Calling attention  
to report of Inspector  
Robinson herewith.  
The \$10<sup>00</sup> collected are  
inclosed for audit  
disposition as usual  
may draw for same

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Enclosed for audit



as above, under the provisions of  
 the Patent Law and instructions  
 from the P.O. Department. I write to  
 Mr. Graham at Providence Rhode Island  
 informing him of the facts related to the  
 case, also the result for such  
 consultation and observation of  
 him the payment of (\$100) the  
 dollar, the two copies were  
 sent the money and it is herewith  
 enclosed with this report.  
 Very respectfully  
 W. H. Johnson  
 Boston



referred to  
shank 7/8-84

San Francisco, Cal July 2<sup>nd</sup> H

Geo. L. Seybolt, Esq.

P. O. Inspector.

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Respectfully referring to my report of this date in Case No. 31484 A, I beg to state that Col. James H. Mills, Editor and proprietor of "The New North West," Deer Lodge, Montana, personally introduced to me Col. G. W. Morse who in turn strongly recommended Mr Henry B. Lowman for the position of postmaster at Drummond, Deer Lodge County, Montana. Mr Mills who is also member of the Republican National Committee for Montana, advised that the views of Col. Morse, who is a resident of New Chicago, Mont, he heard and favorably considered in connection with the appointment of the new postmaster



1874

Don Thompson, Col July 2nd

Geo. D. Sargent, Esq.

J. O. Carpenter

Don Thompson, Col.

Sir,

Respectfully referring to my report of this date in  
 Case No. 21484 I beg to state that Col. James H.  
 Mills, Editor and proprietor of "the New York Week", has  
 been introduced to me by Col. D. W. Moore who in turn  
 strongly recommended Mr. Mills for the position of  
 printer at the residence of the President of the  
 American Republic. Mr. Mills who is  
 also a member of the Republican National Committee for  
 1874, has been advised that the name of Col. Moore, who is a resident  
 of New York, should be known and favorably considered  
 in connection with the appointment of the new printer.



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at Drummond. I did not have an opportunity  
to meet Mr Lowman but judging from the complimentary  
opinions expressed of him by Col. Morse I feel satis-  
fied that he is a capable and worthy person for the place.

Very respectfully,

F. B. Danneman,

Inspector.



at Brunswick. I did not have an opportunity  
to meet Mr. Brown but seeing from the complimentary  
opinion expressed of him by Col. Moore I feel satis-  
fied that he is a capable and worthy person for the place.

Very respectfully,

J. P. Cunningham,

Inspector.



See 2x

July 9th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp

Chief P.O. Inspector

Washington D.C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter is respectfully forwarded for the information of your office. It evidently refers to a collection of \$3000 made by Inspector Dickinson sometime in '81 and deposited with the Postmaster at Boise City, Idaho. In June '82, I was instructed by Chief Post-Office Inspector ~~Dickinson~~ to obtain that money from the Postmaster at Boise City, Idaho, and to forward same to Washington.



For 3x

July 24

Chief of Police  
Washington D.C.

The enclosed letter is respectfully  
forwarded for the information of  
your office. It contains a  
collection of 3000 cards  
which have been forwarded  
to the Chief of Police  
at New York City. The  
enclosed letter is respectfully  
forwarded for the information of  
your office. It contains a  
collection of 3000 cards  
which have been forwarded  
to the Chief of Police  
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which have been forwarded  
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at New York City. The



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In compliance with those instructions I forwarded on July 3 '82. draft # 18340 on New York City for ~~3000~~ payable to the order of the Postmaster General together with Registered Case # 15448<sup>a</sup>. I know nothing of the "Conditions" to which Mr Campbell refers in his letter. Only know that ~~3000~~ had been lying at Boise City Idaho in office for a year or more and that I obtained and forwarded same to Washington D.C. as per instructions from Chief Parker.

Very respectfully  
 Geo. L. Lybth  
 Inspector



in conference with those in -  
 venturers & forwarded on July 3  
 1831. No. 10340 and New York  
 City for \$3000 payable to the  
 order of the Boston General  
 together with registered ones #12448  
 "and" of the "Constitution"  
 to which the General refers in  
 his letter - only know that \$3000  
 has been lying at Isaac City Bank  
 in office for a year or more  
 but that he has not forwarded  
 same to Washington D.C. as far  
 as the Chief of Boston.  
 Very respectfully  
 Geo. A. Lynde  
 Secretary



July 10<sup>th</sup> 4

Capt. A. G. Stark  
Chief P. O. Inspector  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed letter from the  
Postmaster at Marysville, Cal.,  
is respectfully forwarded for the  
information of your office <sup>and</sup>  
reference. I think it but proper  
and just that the Postmaster at  
Marysville, Cal., be allowed the  
same amount that he has  
heretofore received for Clerk-  
hire in his office - as he cannot  
well transact the business of  
that office without that



July 10<sup>th</sup>

Chief of Postmaster  
Washington, D.C.

The enclosed letter from the  
Postmaster at Springfield, Col.,  
is respectfully forwarded for the  
information of your office.  
reference. I think it but proper  
to say that the Postmaster at  
Springfield, Col., has allowed the  
same amount that he has  
heretofore received for clerk-  
hire in his office - as he cannot  
well transmit the business of  
that office without that



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necessary assistance. You will see from his statement that he no longer receives any allowance for rent, fuel, light, &c. To compel him to pay the Clerk hire in addition seems to me would not be exactly just in his case. You are personally familiar with the work at that office. But I think will agree with me that an allowance of \$4000 per month for a Clerk would not be an excessive one.

Very respectfully  
Inspector



very much surprised. You will  
 see from his statement that he  
 has large reserves of gold  
 for rent, fuel, light &c. &c.  
 enough him to pay the Clerk  
 his in addition to me  
 would not be exactly great in  
 his case. You are personally  
 familiar with the work of  
 that office. I think will  
 agree with me that our al-  
 lowance of \$400 per month  
 for a Clerk would not be an  
 excessive one.

Very respectfully

Charles D. ...



July 10th 4

Capt. A. G. Sharp

Chief P. O. Inspector  
Washington DC

Sir:

The enclosed papers - claim  
for a reward by W. W. Sawyer  
D. B. Say and J. B. Gabriel for the  
arrest of C. B. Hawley and  
Safayette Grimes on August 22/82  
and Lewis Grimes on Aug. 23/82  
for the robbery of the U. S. mail  
on route #40116. are herewith  
respectfully forwarded for the  
information of your office.

I know nothing of  
this matter except what is set



July 10th

Post. C. G. Smith  
 Chief of Post-Office  
 Washington D. C.

The enclosed papers - bearing  
 for a removal by Mr. S. S. Johnston  
 of the Post-Office at St. Louis  
 Missouri of the 10th of July 1877  
 to the Post-Office at St. Louis  
 Missouri on the 10th of July 1877  
 for the removal of the U. S. Mail  
 on route # 1110 - are herewith  
 respectfully forwarded for the  
 information of your office.  
 I have nothing of  
 this matter except what is set



forth in the papers herewith,  
but am certainly of the opinion  
that the fact of Hawley & Grimes  
being hung should not stand  
in the way of parties properly  
entitled to reward receiving same.  
Of course I am aware that the  
amount claimed (\$900<sup>00</sup>) is in  
excess of the reward offered in  
such cases by the Department  
and that more than \$200<sup>00</sup> cannot  
and should not <sup>be</sup> paid.

The papers are referred for  
your consideration & attention  
Very respectfully

Respectfully







July 11th

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J. J. Sharr

Chief P. O. Inspector.

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The inclosed report for increase of service on  
 Route No. 46250 from Solana to Inusdale, Cal., is  
 respectfully forwarded for reference to the Hon. 2nd Assistant  
 Post Master General.

The men who signed be represent native men of  
 Monterey and San Luis Obispo and I am sure the re-  
 quest is reasonable and that same should be granted.

Very Respectfully,

Inspector.



July 11th  
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The inc... for increase of service on  
Horse No. 40250... to Inusdale, Cal., is  
Report... for reference to the Hon. Sec. Assistant  
Post Master General  
The... is signed by representative men of  
inter... and I... the re-  
... responsible one and that same should be granted.  
Very Respectfully  
Inspector.



July 14th,

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Capt. A.G. Sharp,

Chief Post Office Inspector,

Washington, D.C.

Sir.- The enclosed special report of Inspectors Banner-  
man and Robinson is respectfully forwarded for the inform-  
ation of your office.

This case was continued on the affi-  
davits of the defendant's attorney, that time was necessary  
to procure attendance of witnesses.

Very respectfully,



Inspector.



July 14th,

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Capt. A.G. Sharp,

Chief Post Office Inspector,

Washington, D.C.

Sir - The enclosed special report of Inspector Bunker-

and Robinson is respectfully forwarded for the inform-

ation of your office.

This case was continued on the 11th-

date of the defendant's attorney, that time was necessary

to procure attendance of witnesses.

Very respectfully,

Inspector.



Bozeman M. T. June 22<sup>d</sup> 4

Geo. L. Seybert Esq

P. O. Inspector

Sir

We have to report that the cases against John D. Nicholas late postal clerk on the Northern Pacific R R (Miles City and Helena R.P.O) were presented by U.S. Dist. Attorney Wm H De Witt to the U.S. Grand Jury at Bozeman, Montana Territory on Wednesday May 28<sup>th</sup> 1884. and that said John D. Nicholas was charged as follows: Under Sec. 1233 of the Revised Statutes, for embezzling a Registered packet No 158 ~~addition~~



2 Copy sent to Mr. T. J. Fox  
the same statute, for sending  
as follows: March Dec. 1833 of  
our John D. Nicholas was charged  
Wednesday May 22. 1844. and that  
Alexander McArthur residing in  
at West to the U.S. Bureau July 27  
presented by the U.S. Attorney May 27  
P.C. (Anti Copy and Release P.C.) were  
that protest sent on the Northern Pacific  
the same against John D. Nicholas  
We have to report that

Dr. L. Chapin  
D. O. Chapin  
Am

Forrester M. T. Jones



to the postmaster at Market Lake  
Idaho, and under same Section  
R.S. with stealing 10 registered  
packets of mail from the postal  
car on Northern Pacific R.R. on  
Oct 13<sup>th</sup> 1893 between Livingston  
Montana & Miles City Montana.

Our witnesses were present and  
gave their testimony and on same  
day (May 28<sup>th</sup>) indictments were  
found in both cases. Nicholas was  
arraigned, and was allowed until

Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup> to plead.

On Saturday counsel for Nicholas  
filed Demurrer to both indictments  
principally on the ground that  
the offense was charged as  
having been committed in



having been committed in  
the office was charged as  
principal in the former  
first defendant to both indictments  
on Saturday, November 27, 1863.  
On Saturday, May 27, 1864,  
arrangements were made with  
former in both cases. Nicholas was  
found (May 28<sup>th</sup>) indicted were  
given their testimony and in some  
cases. Nicholas were present and  
Nicholas & Nicholas left Nicholas.  
Oct 13<sup>th</sup> 1863 between Livingston  
and on Thursday Pacific R.R. on  
packet of mail from the hotel  
D. 2. with attending 10 residents  
to the postmaster at Washington  
D.C.



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Montana, and Counsel claimed that  
Montana was not known in legal  
practice. Argument on Demurrers  
was heard Saturday P.M. May 31<sup>st</sup>  
On Monday June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Judge Coburn  
overruled demurrers, Counsel for  
Nicholas then filed an Affidavit in  
each case setting forth that the  
attendance of witnesses whose  
testimony was material to the  
defense was necessary, but that they  
could not be present during the  
present term of Court, and a  
continuance was asked till  
the next term. The continuance  
till fall term was granted.  
Witnesses were then recognized  
in \$200 each, and discharged



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in the case, and the  
 witnesses were then  
 the fact was not  
 the next term. The  
 continuance was not  
 present term of Court and a  
 case not to be heard during the  
 absence of the jury, but that they  
 be returned and material to the  
 attendance of witnesses whose  
 fact was not to be heard that the  
 witnesses then filed an affidavit in  
 continuance, Counsel for  
 the Monday June 23. Judge Coburn  
 was heard Saturday P.M. May 22  
 practice. Argument on continuance  
 was not known in legal  
 matters and Counsel claimed that



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for the term. The matter of bail was not fixed at the time, but the Judge took the matter under advisement as Mr Mitchell of Counsel for Nicholas made an eloquent appeal for a small amount, stating as a matter of fact that the money must be sent from the East to some one in this District as security for the bond, and that the friends of Nicholas were poor. Since the date of the argument, the bail has been fixed at (\$1000 - one thousand dollars in each case or two thousand dollars in all, and at this date, June 22<sup>d</sup>) Nicholas is in jail at



22. Nicholas to Mr. Smith at  
in all, one at the last. June  
one or two thousand dollars  
new machine dollar in each  
that has been fixed at \$1000 -  
date of the agreement. The  
Machines were from those the  
fact, and that the business of  
in the district as necessary for the  
and from the fact to some are  
fact that the money must be  
amount, stating as a matter of  
disposition of funds for a general  
Council for the business made an  
arrangement as the matters of  
the Judge but the matter under  
was not fixed at the time, but  
for the time. The matter of fact



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Bozeman, Gallatin County  
 Montana Territory. It may be  
 well to state that the Dist  
 Attorney: W H D Pitt is very  
 confident that the conviction is  
 sure from the evidence offered  
 in both cases, when they shall  
 come to trial, which will be  
 probably in November next

Very respectfully

W A Robinson

J R Dannerman

By  
 J R Dannerman



I have been thinking of you very much lately  
 and wondering how you are getting on.  
 I hope you are well and happy.  
 I have been very busy lately  
 but I have managed to find some time  
 to write you a few lines.  
 I have been thinking of you very much lately  
 and wondering how you are getting on.  
 I hope you are well and happy.  
 I have been very busy lately  
 but I have managed to find some time  
 to write you a few lines.

1840

W. B. Brown

Wm. B. E. 1844



July 14th 4

Capt A. G. Clark  
Chief P. O. Inspector  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

The enclosed papers are respectfully forwarded for your information and reference.

The trouble in this case all comes from a failure to connect at San Luis Obispo, Cal.

The schedule allows the Contractor twenty three (23) hours, which would bring that mail there too late to connect for Los Alamos. A part of the time the stage arrives in time to make the connections



✓ July 14th

Left at 10 AM  
 Chief of the  
 Washington, DC  
 Div

The number of persons who visited  
 the monument for special infor-  
 mation and reference.

The trouble in the case  
 all comes from a failure to con-  
 sult at the time of the  
 the relative value of the contract  
 twenty three (23) years, which would  
 bring it out well there too late to  
 amend for the change. As for  
 of the time the steps are  
 in time to make the correction



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so that two mails will go to Los Alamos, and next day there will be none on account of failure to connect with train which leaves at 2<sup>15</sup> P.M. - If that mail could be gotten into San Luis Obispo by 1<sup>30</sup> P.M. regularly, there would be no cause for complaint; but arriving one day in time to connect, and the next day too late, the people at Los Alamos conclude that their mail has been held. A schedule of twenty (20) hours might be made in summer but that would be rather short in winter - still it is possible to make it. If the Railroad people could be induced to defer the departure of their train until



as that two miles will go to do -  
 Alamo, and next day there was  
 be were an account of failure  
 to account with their money  
 leave at 2 1/2 PM. - If that mail  
 could be gotten into San Antonio  
 before by 1 PM. regularly the  
 would be in course for completion  
 but arriving one day in time  
 to account, and the next day too  
 late, the people at San Antonio  
 concluded that their money was  
 gone. The schedule of twenty  
 (20) hours might be made in summer  
 but that would be rather short  
 in winter - still it is possible to  
 make it. If the Railroad people  
 could be induced to defer the  
 completion of their line until



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4 Pm (from San Luis Obispo to Los  
Alamos) it would be an easy  
matter to arrange this differently  
by shortening the schedule to  
arrive at 3<sup>30</sup> Pm. from Colodado.

Very respectfully,

Thos. L. Bishop  
Inspector



as that two miles will go to do -  
 Alamo, and next day there was  
 be were an account of failure  
 to account with their money  
 leave at 5<sup>th</sup> AM. - If that mail  
 could be gotten into San Antonio  
 before by 1<sup>st</sup> AM. regularly the  
 money to us comes for complaint  
 but arriving one day in time  
 to account, and the next day too  
 late, the people at San Antonio  
 are under that their money has  
 been held. The schedule of twenty  
 (20) have might be made in summer  
 but that would be rather short  
 in winter - still it is possible to  
 make it. If the Railroad people  
 could be induced to defer the  
 completion of their line until







